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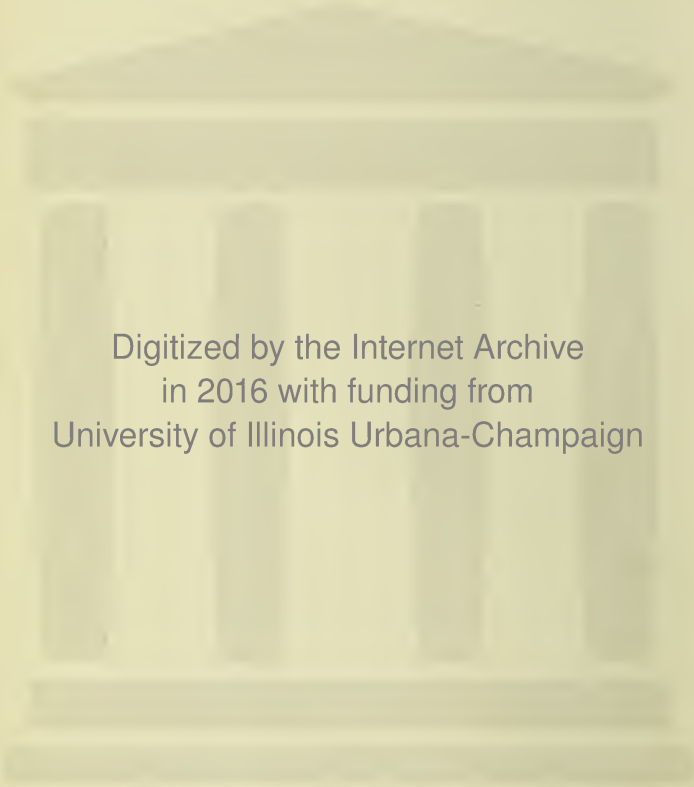
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OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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OF THE
COMMISSIONERS OF THE
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1841

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OF THE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Pursuant to the Constitution of the State of Illinois, the first session of the thirteenth General Assembly of the said State, commenced at the City of Springfield, on Monday, the fifth day of December, A. D. 1842.

Mr. Anderson called the House to order, and on his motion, Mr. MURPHY of Lake was appointed Chairman, pro tem., and W. L. D. EWING, Clerk, pro tem., and W. J. TAYLOR, Assistant Clerk, pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

THOMAS EVANS was appointed Door-keeper pro tem.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

JARVIS PIERCE was appointed Assistant Door-keeper, pro tem.

Whereupon,

The following members appeared, were qualified by D. B. CAMPBELL, Esq., Mayor of the City of Springfield, and took their seats, viz:

From the county of Cook—HART S. STEWART, LOT WHITCOMB, and ISAAC N. ARNOLD.

From the county of Lake—RICHARD MURPHY.

From the counties of Du Page, Will and Iroquois—ISAAC COURTRIGHT, DAVID L. GREGG, JEDUTHAN HATCH, and ADDISON COLLINS.

From the counties of Kane, McHenry, Boone and De Kalb—WILLIAM M. JACKSON.

The credentials of ALFRED E. AMES having been read,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The consideration of the same was postponed until after the organization of the House.

From the county of La Salle—JAMES H. WOODWORTH, ELISHA BIBBENS, WILLIAM H. CUSHMAN,

From the county of Peoria—LEVI A. HANNAFORD.

From the counties of Peoria and Fulton—SAMUEL HACKELTON.

From the counties of Peoria, Stark and Bureau—JOHN H. BRYANT.

From the counties of Stark and Bureau—CYRUS LANGWORTHY.

From the counties of Marshall and Putnam—ROBERT F. BELL.

From the county of Tazewell—PIERRE MENARD and MIDDLETON TACK-
ERBERRY.

From the county of Jo Daviess—JOHN McDONALD.

From the counties of Rock Island and Henry—JOSHUA HARPER.

From the counties of Whiteside and Lee—AARON C. JACKSON.

From the county of Winnebago—DARIUS ADAMS.

From the county of Schuyler—SAMUEL HORNEY.

From the county of Brown—STEPHEN D. HAMBAUGH.

The papers relative to the election of Mr. Hambaugh, being presented to the House by the Chair, the consideration of the same was postponed,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Until after the organization of the House.

From the counties of Schuyler and Brown—P. C. VANCE.

From the county of Pike—BENJAMIN D. BROWN, WILLIAM BLAIR and
ALEXANDER STARNE.

From the county of Cass—JOHN M. PRATT.

From the county of Scott—EDWARD MITCHELL, and LORENZO ED-
WARDS.

From the county of Macoupin—ROBERT W. GLASS, and SERGEANT
GOBBLE.

From the county of Jersey—SAMUEL T. KENDALL.

From the county of Greene—ALFRED HINTON, and JOHN GREEN.

From the counties of Greene and Calhoun—JOHN McDONALD.

From the county of Madison—JOHN BAILHACHE, CURTIS BLAKEMAN, and
ROBERT ALDRICH.

From the county of St. Clair—GUSTAVUS P. KOERNER, PHILLIP PENN
and AMOS THOMPSON.

From the counties of Monroe and Randolph—JACOB J. DANNER,
ANDREW J. DICKINSON, and WILLIAM MCBRIDE.

From the county of Bond—JAMES M. DAVIS.

From the county of Montgomery—EASTON WHITTEN.

From the counties of Fayette and Effingham—JOHN SHIRLEY and
THOMAS M. LOY.

From the county of Shelby—JONATHAN B. HOWARD.

From the county of White—JOHN S. LAWLER.

From the county of Wabash—JOHN COMPTON.

From the county of Wayne—EDWARD WEST.

From the county of Edwards—WILLIAM PICKERING.

From the county of Edgar—HALL SIMMS.

From the county of Adams—ORVILLE H. BROWNING, ABRAHAM JONAS,
RICHARD W. STARR, PETER B. GARRETT, and ALMERON WHEAT.

From the county of Hancock—THOMAS H. OWEN and WILLIAM
SMITH.

From the county of McDonough—HUGH ERVIN.

From the counties of Warren and Henderson—MAXIMILIAN HALEY,
and WILLIAM S. STOCKTON.

From the county of Sangamon—WILLIAM HICKMAN, STEPHEN T. LO-
GAN, JAMES N. BROWN, and WILLIAM CALDWELL.

From the county of Knox—JULIUS MANNING.

From the counties of Knox and Mercer—REUBEN H. SPICER.

From the county of Fulton—JOSEPH S. SHARP, HORACE TURNER, and HARRY L. MILLER.

From the county of Menard—ELISHA BONE.

From the counties of Logan and Mason—CHARLES F. EWING.

From the county of McLean—MAHLON BISHOP.

From the counties of McLean and Livingston—ANDREW McMILLAN.

From the counties of Macon and Piatt—SAMUEL G. NESBIT.

From the county of Morgan—NEWTON CLOUD, WILLIAM WEATHERFORD, DAVID EPLER, and RICHARD YATES.

From the county of Lawrence—JESSE K. DUBOIS and WILLIAM G. ANDERSON.

From the county of Clark—JAMES LOCKARD and WILLIS DOUGHERTY.

From the county of Coles—ORLANDO B. FICKLIN, JOSEPH FOWLER, and GEORGE M. HANSON.

From the county of Vermilion—JAMES NORRIS and JOHN CANADY.

From the county of Champaign—MATHEW W. BUSEY.

From the counties of Union and Alexander—JOHN COCHRAN and JAMES J. HUNSAKER.

From the county of Johnson—ANDREW J. KUYKENDALL.

When the papers relative to the election of Mr. Kuykendall were presented to the House by the Chair,

Mr. McClernand moved the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That Andrew J. Kuykendall be sworn and admitted to a seat in this House as a Representative of the county of Johnson.

Mr. Browning moved that the whole subject be postponed until the House be organized, which was not agreed to.

The resolution was then agreed to.

Whereupon,

Mr. Kuykendall was qualified and took his seat.

From the county of Franklin—ACHILLES D. DOLLINS.

From the county of Jackson—RICHARD A. BRADLEY.

From the county of Gallatin—JOHN A. MCCLERNAND, ABNER FLANDERS, and THOMAS S. HICK.

From the county of Hamilton—JOHN DOUGLASS.

From the county of Jefferson—STEPHEN G. HICKS.

From the county of Marion—JAMES MARSHALL.

From the counties of Hamilton, Jefferson, and Marion—WILLIAM BRINKLEY.

From the county of Perry—JOHN D. BURKLOW.

From the counties of Clinton and Washington—ELIAS S. DENNIS and JOHN WHITE.

From the counties of Crawford and Jasper—GUY W. SMITH, and WILLIAM WILSON.

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That Alfred E. Ames, who appears as a Representative from the county of Boone, be sworn and admitted to a seat in this House.

Whereupon,

Mr. Ames was qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Cloud moved that S. D. Hambaugh, the member from Brown county, be qualified and admitted to a seat in this House.

The reading of the papers in relation to his election were called for, and after some time proceeding therein,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The further reading thereof was dispensed with. Thereupon,

Mr. Hambaugh was qualified and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The House now proceeded to the election of Speaker.

Mr. Ficklin nominated Samuel Hackelton.

Mr. Logan nominated O. H. Browning.

Whereupon,

Mr. Hackelton received seventy-seven votes, O. H. Browning thirty votes, S. T. Logan one vote, and Newton Cloud three votes.

Those voting for Mr. Hackelton, are as follows, to wit:

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Harper, Hatch, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Woodworth.

Those voting for Mr. Browning, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hickman, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, and Yates.

Messrs. Hackelton, Hinton and Smith of Crawford voted for Mr. Cloud.

Mr. Browning voted for Mr. Logan.

Mr. Hackelton having received a majority of all the votes polled, was, therefore, declared duly elected Speaker of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois.

Messrs. Cloud and Hicks conducted Mr. Hackelton to the Chair; when, having returned his thanks to the House, he entered upon the duties of his office.

Mr. McClernand moved that the House now proceed to the election of Chief Clerk; and nominated W. L. D. Ewing for said office.

Mr. Logan moved that the vote be taken *viva voce*,

Whereupon,

The vote being taken, Mr. Ewing was declared duly elected Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois.

House adjourned till half past 2 o'clock, P. M.

HALF PAST TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

H. M. VANDEVER, from the county of Christian, appeared, was qualified and took his seat.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have organized by electing Braxton Parrish Speaker pro tem., Isaac S. Berry Secretary, Iram Nye Sergeant-at-arms, William D. Latshaw Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk, and are now ready to proceed to legislative business. When he retired.

Mr. Murphy moved that the House proceed to the election of an Assistant Clerk; when,

Mr. Browning moved the following preamble and resolutions, as an amendment to the motion made by Mr. Murphy:

Whereas, the finances of the State of Illinois, are at present in a condition of unusual embarrassment; the revenues of the State being barely adequate to an economical administration of the government, and the taxes as high as the people can bear, and a public debt of many millions hanging over us wholly unprovided for; therefore,

Resolved, That it is the duty of the present General Assembly to economise in its expenditures, in every way in which it can be done compatible with the public service, and to that end,

Resolved, That the House of Representatives will not at its present session elect an Assistant Clerk, but in lieu thereof, will add one dollar per day to the compensation of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, to enable him to employ such assistance as he may find necessary.

Resolved, That the House of Representatives will not at its present session elect an Assistant Door-keeper, but in lieu thereof, will add one dollar per day to the compensation of the Door-keeper, to enable him to employ such assistance as he may find necessary.

Mr. Murphy moved that the preamble and resolutions be laid upon the table.

Mr. Cloud called for a division of the question.

On the question—"Shall the preamble be laid upon the table?"

The yeas and nays being demanded, it was decided in the negative, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Henry, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tacker-

berry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—112.

On the question—"Shall the resolution be laid on the table?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Court-right, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Henry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—74.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green of Greene, Haley, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, Menard, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, and Yates—39.

Mr. Murphy then moved the following amendment to the aforesaid preamble, viz:

Resolved, That it is incumbent on us to retrieve our resources and resuscitate our credit, by the restoration of the constitutional currency of gold and silver; and by the winding up of our banks, and the expulsion of all bank paper, which has hitherto proved the copious source of most of the embarrassments and distress under which we now labor; and has spread frauds, bankruptcies, and demoralization through community.

Which was agreed to, by yeas and nays as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Henry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Woodworth—77.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry and Yates—38.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The preamble and amendment were referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. McClernand, Murphy and Browning be said committee.

The question recurring upon proceeding to the election of Assistant Clerk; it was agreed to.

Mr. Sharp thereupon nominated Washington J. Taylor.

Whereupon,

The vote being taken *viva voce*, the nomination of Mr. Taylor was agreed to by the House.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The House proceeded to the election of Door-keeper.

Mr. Sharp nominated William C. Murphy of Perry.

When the vote being taken *viva voce*, the nomination of Mr. Murphy was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

The House proceeded to the election of Assistant Door-keeper, and nominated J. Pierce.

Mr. Simms nominated Mr. Evans.

Mr. Weatherford nominated Wm. S. Hurst.

Mr. Turner nominated J. G. Davidson.

Mr. Whitten nominated Benjamin Roberts.

Mr. Ames nominated Mr. Preston.

Mr. Brinkley nominated Mr. Lane, and

On the first vote.

Mr. Pierce received 22 votes.

Mr. Evans received 22 votes.

Mr. Hurst received 30 votes.

Mr. Davidson received 7 votes.

Mr. Roberts received 5 votes.

Mr. Preston received 19 votes, and

Mr. Lane received 3 votes.

Mr. Shirley moved that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock; which was not agreed to.

No one having received a majority, the House proceeded to a second vote.

Whereupon,

Mr. Pierce received 34 votes.

Mr. Evans received 37 votes.

Mr. Hurst received 35 votes, and

Mr. Preston received 4 votes.

Mr. Ames moved that the election be postponed until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock; which was not agreed to.

No one having received a majority, the House proceeded to vote the third time.

Whereupon,

Mr. Pierce received 37 votes.

Mr. Evans received 45 votes, and

Mr. Hurst received 29 votes.

No person having received a majority, the House proceeded to a fourth vote.

Whereupon,

Mr. Pierce received 40 votes.

Mr. Evans received 51 votes, and

Mr. Hurst received 19 votes.

No person having received a majority, the House proceed to the fifth vote.

Whereupon,

Mr. Pierce received 37 votes.

Mr. Evans received 57 votes, and

Mr. Hurst received 16 votes.

Mr. Evans having received a majority of all the votes, was declared duly elected Assistant Door-keeper of the House of Representatives; when,

On motion,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cloud.

Ordered, That the rules of the last House of Representatives be adopted for the government of this until others are adopted.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Resolved, That a select committee of seven be appointed to prepare and report rules for the government of this House during the present session of the General Assembly.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, McClernand, Logan, Cloud, Stewart, Harper, and Menard be said committee.

JAMES K. SCOTT, member from De Witt county, and PHILLIP VINYARD, member from the counties of Pope and Hardin, appeared, were qualified and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House proceeded to the election of Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk, and nominated Robert Smith for that office.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The vote was taken *viva voce* and the nomination of Mr. Smith was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Resolved, That publishers of newspapers in this State, or reporters for them, be admitted within the bar of this House, to such seats as may be assigned them by the Speaker, for the purpose of reporting the proceedings of the same.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House inform the Senate that they have met, elected Samuel Hackelton their Speaker, Wm. L. D. Ewing their Principal Clerk, Washington J. Taylor their Assistant Clerk, Robert Smith their Enrolling and Engrossing clerk, William C. Murphy Principal Door-keeper, and Thomas Evans Assistant Door-keeper, and are now ready to proceed to legislative business.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring therein, That a joint select committee of three from the House and two from the Senate, be appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the two houses of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, have met and organized, and are ready to receive any communication which he may wish to make.

Ordered, That Messrs. Murphy, Cloud, and Marshall be that committee.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the following resolutions; to wit:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That a joint select committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House of Representatives, be appointed to wait on His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses of the General Assembly have met and organized, and are now ready to receive such communications as His Excellency may have to make; and have appointed Messrs. Ralston and Leviston the committee on their part.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That both Houses of the General Assembly will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Tuesday the 6th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M., and there canvass the returns for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the State of Illinois.

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The above message was read and the resolutions therein concurred in.

In pursuance of the first resolution,

Ordered, That Messrs. Murphy, Cloud, and Marshall, be the committee on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to this House the votes of each county in the State, and the aggregate for and against a State convention, taken at the last August election.

Mr. Ames moved the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the House now proceed to the election of a suitable person to copy the journals of this House.

On motion of Murphy,

Said resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, That the president, directors and company of the State Bank of Illinois, be requested to furnish, at their earliest convenience, to this House, the number of State bonds and their amount, which may belong to or be under the control of the State Bank; and, also, what portion of the bonds of the State given to the bank in lieu of bank stock remains unsold; and, also, on what terms the bank would be willing to exchange the bonds of the State owned by the bank for the bank stock owned by the State in said bank.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be directed to lay before this House, immediately, the returns for Governor and Lieutenant Governor, now on file in his office.

Mr. Murphy, from the joint select committee, appointed to wait on the Governor and inform him that the two Houses of the General Assembly have organized and are ready to receive any communication he may have to make, reported that they have waited on His Excellency and received an answer, that at 10 o'clock to-morrow morning he will send in a written communication.

The House adjourned till 1 o'clock, P. M.

ONE O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House the following communication from the Secretary of State.

OFFICE OF SECRETARY OF STATE,
Springfield, December 6, 1842.

To the Hon. the SPEAKER of the House of Representatives.

SIR: In obedience to a resolution of the House of Representatives, adopted this morning, I have the honor herewith to lay before you the returns of the votes cast at the last election for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this State.

With much respect, I have the honor to be

Your obedient humble servant,

LYMAN TRUMBULL, *Sec. of State.*

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That when the Governor and Lieutenant Governor elect meet the two Houses in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of taking the oath of office, required by the Constitution, that the Hon. Judge of the District Court of the United States, and the Hon. the Judges of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, the Hon. Ex-Governor and Ex-Lieutenant Governor, be invited to a seat within the bar of the Representatives Hall, and that the Hon. Sidney Breese, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, be requested to administer the oaths of office to the officers elect, respectively.

In the passage of which, I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives. And then he withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The message was taken up and read, and the resolution therein concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Ficklin introduced a bill for "An act relative to judgments and ex-

ecutions; which was read the first time, and on his motion, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Compton,

Resolved, That the Clerk inform the Senate that the House of Representatives is in readiness to receive them, in order to proceed to examine the returns of elections for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of this State.

The Senate, preceded by their Speaker, appeared in the Representatives Hall.

Whereupon,

The Speaker of the House of Representatives, pursuant to the provisions of the Constitution, proceeded, in the presence of a majority of each House of the General Assembly, to open the returns, and publish the votes given at the last general election in the different counties of this State for Governor and Lieutenant Governor of the same; by which it appeared, that

Thomas Ford, of the county of Ogle, had received forty-six thousand nine hundred and one votes, Joseph Duncan had received thirty-eight thousand five hundred and eighty-four votes, and Charles W. Hunter had received nine hundred and nine votes, respectively, for the office of Governor of this State; and the said Thomas Ford, having received a majority of all the votes polled at the aforesaid general election, was declared duly elected Governor of the State of Illinois, for the next ensuing four years. That John Moore had received forty-five thousand five hundred and sixty-seven votes, Wm. H. Henderson had received thirty-eight thousand four hundred and twenty-six votes, and Frederick Collins had received nine hundred and five votes, respectively, for the office of Lieutenant Governor of this State; and the said John Moore, having received a majority of all the votes polled at the aforesaid general election, was declared duly elected Lieutenant Governor of the State of Illinois, for the next ensuing four years.

The Senate then withdrew.

On motion,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That a joint committee of two on the part of the Senate, and three on the part of the House, be appointed to wait on the Hon. Thomas Ford, and inform him of his election to the office of Governor of this State, and that they also inform Col. John Moore of his election to the office of Lieutenant Governor of this State, and enquire of them at what time they will meet the two Houses for the purpose of taking their oaths of office;

and have appointed Messrs. Cavalry and Baker the committee on their part.

In the passage of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives. And then he retired.

The message was then taken up, read, and the resolution therein concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Resolved, That after the adjournment of this House on each day, the use of the Hall shall be reserved expressly for the use and accommodation of the respective committees, in the prosecution of their legislative business, and for no other purpose.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, the Senate concurring herein, That the Secretary of State be directed to deliver to any member of the General Assembly any book or work which he may desire from the Library of the State, on his application therefrom, and that the Secretary keep a book, in which shall be entered the name of the member, and the book or work taken, shall be entered.

Resolved, That every member so taking a book or work from the Library, shall be held responsible for the same, and in case the same shall be lost, the value or cost thereof shall be deducted from the pay of the member; and no book shall be retained for a longer period than one week, except the journals of the Legislature and the statutes of the State.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That a joint select committee of seven on the part of the House, and four on the part of the Senate, be appointed to draft and report joint rules, for the government of the two Houses.

Resolved, That the joint rules of the two Houses of the last session be the joint rules for the government of the two Houses until others are reported.

Ordered, That Messrs. Cloud, Murphy, Browning; Busey, Dollins, Hicks, and Howard, be said committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Manning moved for the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the resolution of the House prohibiting the use of the Representatives Hall for any other purpose than the use of Legislative committees after the adjournment of the House each day, be suspended in its operation, as to the evening of Thursday, the eighth day of December, inst., which,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Gregg moved for adoption the following preamble and resolutions.

Whereas, The conduct of General Andrew Jackson, in the defence of New Orleans, during the campaign of 1814-15, has, on various occasions, received the approbation of the American people:

And whereas, Congress, on the 15th day of February, 1815, by a vote of thanks, and by directing a gold medal to be struck and presented to

him, as an evidence of their estimation of his patriotism, bravery and good conduct, sanctioned and applauded his course in the aforesaid campaign.

And whereas, The fine imposed on him by Judge Hall, for an alleged contempt of the authority of the said Judge, is not only an unjust implication upon the character of General Jackson, but a reflection upon the justice and gratitude of the nation; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives earnestly requested, to use their exertions to procure the passage of a law directing that the fine of one thousand dollars, imposed by Dominick A. Hall, then District Judge of the United States for the District of Louisiana, for an alleged contempt of his authority, upon General Andrew Jackson, and by the said Andrew Jackson paid into the hands of the Marshal of the said District, be refunded, together with the costs and interest on the same, from the day of the payment thereof.

On the question—"Shall the foregoing preamble and resolutions be adopted?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—86.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Starr, Stockton, and Yates—27.

The House adjourned until 1 o'clock, P. M.

ONE O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The chair laid before the House a communication from the Public Printer, which was read, as follows:

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS, Dec. 7, 1842.

To the Honorable the SPEAKER

of the House of Representatives:

SIR: Such documents as have heretofore been printed for the use of both Houses, having been printed in octavo or book form, has occasioned

an extraordinary expense of postage to those to whom they have been sent, and has, also, been attended with greater expense to the State in printing, stitching, paper, &c. I would, therefore, respectfully suggest that such documents be hereafter printed in folio or quarto form, where they are designed for such temporary use, and that to all of them there shall be appended a caption in compliance with the regulation of the post office department, governing the rates of postage on periodical publications.

I have the honor to be, sir,

Very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

WILLIAM WALTERS,

Public Printer.

Which was,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, an inauguration party is proposed to be holden at the State House on to-morrow evening, in order that the citizens of Springfield, and visitors to said city, may meet the Governor elect, and interchange the customary civilities; therefore,

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That the possession of the Senate Chamber and Hall of the House of Representatives, be tendered to said party on the occasion referred to, on Thursday evening next, after the hour of 5 o'clock, P. M.

In the passage of which, I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives. When he retired.

Which message, being taken up and read, the preamble and resolutions therein contained, were not agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Governor, by Mr. Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State, which was read as follows, viz:

Fellow citizens of the Senate and

House of Representatives:

It is with pleasure that I again address the assembled representatives of the people. The meeting of the General Assembly of the State is an event eminently calculated to awaken interest and solicitude in the public mind. The trusts confided to this department of the government are truly multiplied and important. Upon it devolves the duty of anticipating the wants, directing the energies, and promoting the welfare of the country. In a State, therefore, embracing so numerous a population, such a variety of interests, and so extensive a territory, the business of legislation must be arduous and complicated. But coming as you do, directly from the mass of your constituency, in every portion of the State, it must be presumed that you embrace within your number, all the information and knowledge which is necessary for a clear and com-

prehensive understanding of the responsibilities which your stations enjoin. I must be permitted to express the anticipation I confidently entertain, that as you understand those responsibilities you will not hesitate to discharge them with promptitude and fidelity. It cannot, indeed, be concealed that you have convened under circumstances in themselves formidable and imposing. The unfortunate financial embarrassments of the State present obstacles to the progress of legislation which it will require your united wisdom and patriotism to surmount. To relieve yourselves as far as possible from the difficulties you will have to encounter from this cause, will of course be your first and most important consideration. In order, however, that you may fully comprehend the nature and extent of these difficulties, it will be necessary to recur to that period in our history when they commenced.

The rapidity with which the banking institutions of the country were multiplied a few years since, and the lavish and reckless manner in which they issued their paper, increased the circulating medium and standard of value to such an extent as to give an artificial and fictitious value to every species of property, to augment the profits in every department of business to an unnatural degree, and to revolutionize the regular and settled laws which previously governed the trade of the country. Consequently the wildest and most extravagant spirit of speculation was engendered throughout the entire Union.

New and extraordinary schemes were embarked in, and the success with which they were frequently crowned, only served to encourage others still more visionary and chimerical. Fortunate, indeed, would it have been if this spirit had confined itself to the people in their individual capacity. Such, however, was not the case; it soon infused itself into Legislative assemblies, and many of the States were induced to adopt the most stupendous systems of improvement. Influenced by the same spirit, stimulated by a laudable ambition of keeping pace with her sister States, and encouraged by the apparent success which attended the enterprises they had already commenced, Illinois was in an evil hour lured from the principles of economy and prudence which had hitherto so signally marked her course. In 1837, in addition to the construction of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, which had already been undertaken, and which of itself, for an inexperienced and almost infant State, was a gigantic enterprize, the Legislature adopted a general system of internal improvements, the magnitude of which exceeded the wants in as great a degree as its estimated cost exceeded the resources of the State. To realize the funds necessary for the prosecution of this immense system, as well as the canal, reliance was had mainly to the credit of the State, which was made available by the creation and sale of bonds bearing six per cent. interest, and reimbursable after a long term of years. Such was the delusion of the times that it was proposed to pay the interest as it would accrue upon these bonds by negotiating them in foreign markets, and realizing the difference of exchange, by depositing the money thus raised with banks until it should be disbursed, and receiving premiums upon it; and by subscribing for bank stock, the dividends upon which it was expected would greatly exceed the interest upon the bonds with which the stock was purchased.

Thus it was contemplated by the advocates of this policy to complete these extensive improvements without any expense to the State during their progress. When once in operation, it was maintained that they would yield a revenue not only sufficient for the payment of the interest upon the cost of their construction, but would furnish a surplus which might ultimately be applied to the liquidation of the principal.

The people seeing no prospect of taxation, acquiesced in the use thus made of their credit.

This policy, therefore, persisted in until towards the close of 1839, when the vast amount of bonds which were so lavishly thrown into the markets, not only by this State, but many others, reduced their price and checked their further negotiation.

Thus terminated our unfortunate and short-lived scheme of improvements, leaving the State with less than thirty miles of a single railroad completed, out of the multitude that had been projected, with an immense debt overwhelming her, and without any permanent means whatever provided to meet the interest that was so rapidly accruing upon it. By using the proceeds realized from a few unsettled negotiations, and by sums raised by the hypothecation of bonds at reduced prices, the Fund Commissioner was enabled to pay the interest until January, 1841. It then became the duty of the Legislature to provide more permanent means for that purpose for the future.

Such, however, was the exhausted condition of the State, that it was deemed advisable to resort to the desperate expedient of authorizing the sale of bonds at whatever price they would command, in order to raise funds to meet the interest which would accrue in the ensuing two years.

This provision it was supposed would be amply sufficient to enable the State to meet her obligations, and preserve her plighted faith up to the present time. Experience, however, has demonstrated the insufficiency of this policy.

Our bonds had depreciated so greatly in the market, that the Fund Commissioner deemed a sale inexpedient, and raised money to meet the interest which became due in July, 1841, by hypothecation, at a very reduced rate. The still greater depreciation which subsequently occurred, rendered the further use of bonds totally unavailing. It, therefore, becomes my unpleasant duty to advise you that no interest has been paid since the date last mentioned.

Such is a brief account of the origin and accumulation of our public debt.

In order that you may, as clearly as possible, comprehend the financial condition of the State at the present time, the following tabular statement is submitted:

Bonds sold to the State Bank of Illinois, on account of Bank stock,	-	-	\$1,765,000
Bonds sold to Bank of Illinois, do	-	-	9,000,000
			<hr/> 2,665,000 00
“ sold to Irwin & Beers on account of internal improvement,	-	-	1,000,000
“ “ “ N. Biddle,	-	-	1,000,000

Bonds sold to Lieut. Levy,	-	-	\$4,000	
" " " January & Dunlap,	-	-	300,000	
" " " Hall & Hudson,	-	-	100,000	
" " " Boorman & Johnson,	-	-	100,000	
" " " M. B. Sherwood,	-	-	50,000	
" " " John Delafield,	-	-	283,000	
" " " A. H. Bangs,	-	-	50,000	
" " " Erie County Bank,	-	-	100,000	
" " " Bank of Commerce,	-	-	100,000	
" " " Commercial Bank of Buffalo,	-	-	100,000	
" " " Nevins & Townsend, by Dr. Barret,	-	-	180,000	
" " " E. Riggs,	-	do	50,000	
" " " Bank of United States	-	do	100,000	
" " " M. Sherwood,	-	do	100,000	
" hypothecated to State Bank of Ill.	-	do	100,000	
" sold to M. Kennedy and others by J. D.				
Whiteside,	-	-	120,000	
" left with Macalister & Stebbins, by do. on				
deposit, and by them sold,	-	-	71,000	
			<u>3,908,000</u>	00
" sold to J. Wright & Co. of				
London,	-	-	£69,225	
" delivered to Thompson and For-				
man,	-	-	11,000	
" pledged do do	-	-	41,625	
			<u>£122,550</u>	
" sold to State Bank by J. D.				equal to 544,122 00
Whiteside,	-	-	-	100,000 00
				<u>7,217,122 00</u>
Deduct seven bonds of \$1,000 each, received				
from Commercial Bank of Buffalo,	-	-	-	7,000 00
Balance,	-	-	-	<u>7,210,122 00</u>
Internal improvement scrip, and scrip issued				
by board of Auditors outstanding,	-	-	-	886,669 94
Cash obtained by Fund Commissioner upon				
724 bonds of \$1,000 each, hypothecated to				
Macalister and Stebbins, yet outstanding,				
as per statement of Fund Commissioner,				
with interest at the rate of 7 per cent. per				
annum on this sum,	-	-	-	172,405 00
Sold to contractors on Northern Cross Rail-				
road, 94 bonds of \$1,000 each, 84 of which				
have been hypothecated to Fund Commis-				
er, by the contractors for the sum of \$42,000,				
Illinois State Bank paper, leaving a balance				
of \$10,000,	-	-	-	<u>10,000 00</u>
				<u>1,069,074 94</u>
Total debt on account of bank and internal				
improvement bonds and scrip,	-	-	-	<u>\$8,279,196 94</u>

Illinois and Michigan Canal Stock.

Bonds sold by my predecessor,	-	-	\$1,000,000 00
Amount sold by Gov. Reynolds to President of the United States Bank,	-	-	1,000,000 00
“ sold by Gov. Reynolds and Gen. Rawlings to John Delafield,	-	-	300,000 00
“ sold by Gen. Thornton on canal,	-	-	100,000 00
“ do do in London,	-	-	1,000,000 00
“ advanced by Wright & Co., on contract with Judge Young and Gov. Reynolds, £30,000 by terms of contract, equal to	-	-	145,188 00
“ bonds paid to contractors in 1841 and 1842,	-	-	197,000 00
			<hr/> 3,742,188 00
“ outstanding scrip,	-	-	341,972 71
“ of certificates of indebtedness issued by commissioners,	-	-	254,747 00
			<hr/> 596,719 71
Total canal debt,	-	-	<hr/> \$4,338,907 71

Bonds outstanding on account of State House,	116,000 00
Amount due School, College and Seminary Funds,	808,085 00
“ “ State Bank for warrants paid,	294,190 00
	<hr/> 1,218,275 00
Amount due on account of surplus revenue,	\$477,919 44.
Total debt upon which interest accrues,	\$13,836,379 65.

Recapitulation.

Total Bank stock,	-	-	-	-	\$2,665,000 00
“ Internal Improvement debt,	-	-	-	-	5,614,196 94
“ Canal debt,	-	-	-	-	4,338,907 71
“ State House,	-	-	-	-	116,000 00
“ School College and Seminary funds,	-	-	-	-	808,085 00
“ Due State Bank for warrants,	-	-	-	-	294,190 00
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Total debt upon which interest accrues,	-	-	-	-	<hr/> \$13,836,379 65

Annual interest upon which amounts to the sum of \$830,182 77.

To meet these liabilities the State has the following resources at present unavailable:

Lands remaining unsold of canal grant	-	238,985:57 acres.
Lands granted to the state under the provisions of an act entitled an “Act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands and to grant pre-emption rights,” approved September 4th, 1851,	-	210,132:85 acres.
Lands purchased by the State for internal improvement purposes,	-	4,332:00 acres.
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Amounting to	-	489,450:42 acres.

Amount due canal fund from sales of lands, town lots, stone, timber, &c.	-	-	-	-	\$201,964
At the date of my last message the following named purchasers of bonds had failed to pay for them ac- cording to contract, to-wit:					
John Delafield in the sum of	-	-	-	-	433,000
A. H. Bangs	"	-	-	-	50,000
Bank of Commerce at Buffalo,	-	-	-	-	90,000
Commercial Bank at Buffalo,	-	-	-	-	90,000
Erie County Bank	-	-	-	-	67,500
Amounting to	-	-	-	-	<u>\$730,500</u>

I have, however, been informed by the Fund Commissioner that a part of the above bonds has since been paid for, and that the remainder has been additionally secured.

If, however, payment should not be made, they will remain I presume in the same attitude as at the last meeting of the Legislature; and the opinion I then expressed remains unchanged: that the State is under no equitable or moral obligation to redeem them. The same reasoning would apply to the seventy-one bonds of \$1,000 each left by the Fund Commissioner with Macalister & Stebbins on deposit, and by them sold, for which no payment has been made. Not having been furnished a copy of the contract between the Fund Commissioner and Macalister & Stebbins, by which they advanced \$172,405 upon 724 interest bonds of \$1,000 each, hypothecated to them, I am, therefore, at a loss to arrive at the true condition of said bonds. I, however, infer that interest does not accrue upon the bonds, as the statement in the preceding table, furnished by the Secretary to the Fund Commissioner, shows that interest from the first of July, 1841, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum, accrues upon the money advanced, to-wit: on \$172,405. If this view of the case be correct, then the interest upon this last named sum is all that can be chargeable to the State on account of said contract.

The contract made in 1839 by the agents of the State with Messrs. John Wright & Co., of London, by which 1,000 canal bonds of £225 each were placed in the hands of said Wright & Co., with authority to sell for the benefit of the canal, and the contract made by the Fund Commissioners about the same time with the same company by which 1,500 internal improvement bonds, of £225 each, were placed in their hands, to be sold for internal improvement purposes, remains unadjusted in consequence of the insolvency of said Wright & Co., which occurred in the latter part of the year 1840 or early in 1841.

In the spring of 1841, the Fund Commissioner found it necessary to go to England for the purpose of adjusting the unsettled affairs growing out of the negotiations made in that country by his predecessors.

With a view of saving expense to the State, I empowered him, associated with Samuel Jaudon and James Morrison of London, to adjust and settle the accounts of the canal.

On his arrival, it was found that Messrs. Wright & Co., prior to their bankruptcy, had disposed of a portion of the bonds, over and above the amount of money they had advanced.

The sum of £19,776 5s. 8d. was proven on account of the canal, and £33,913 9s. 8d. on account of internal improvements. Since then, a final settlement of the estate of said bankrupts has been made, and the assets will yield to their creditors, as I am informed, a dividend of about seventy-five cents to the dollar.

In May last, I received a letter dated London, March the 9th, 1842, from Messrs. Morrison, Sons & Co. informing me, that they had received from the assignee of Wright & Co's. estate, through Amory, Sewell and Moores, solicitors, 742 canal bonds, of £225 each, which would be delivered upon my order.

In August last, I empowered the Fund Commissioner, who then expected to start immediately to England, to receive the dividends as before stated, due from the estate of Wright & Co. and also to receive and cancel the 742 canal bonds, then in the hands of Messrs. Morrison & Sons, and instructed him to apply the money thus received to the payment of interest due upon the canal debt in London.

I have, however, since understood, that the Fund Commissioner has abandoned his contemplated voyage to Europe for the present.

If the dividends of the assets of the estate of Wright & Co. equal my expectation, the loss incurred by the State, in consequence of their bankruptcy, will be comparatively small, falling only sixteen per cent. on account of the canal, below the price originally stipulated to be paid for the bonds, and a loss of fifteen per cent. will be sustained on account of the internal improvement bonds disposed of and unaccounted for, prior to their bankruptcy.

The residue of the internal improvement bonds, which were not disposed of by said company, I have no account of, but presume they have been recovered by the solicitors of the Fund Commissioner, or remain in the hands of the assignee of said company.

Having said this much in explanation of items and accounts that could not otherwise be exhibited, by recurring to the table, you will perceive that the whole amount of our public debt, upon which interest accrues, is \$13,836, 379 65.

Assuming, however, that the dividends of the capital stock owned in the banks, will equal the interest upon the bank debt, or that the stock will be withdrawn, and deducting it from the above amount, the sum chargeable with interest will then be \$11,171,379 65, the interest upon which at six per cent. per annum, amounts to \$670,282 77. For the payment of this sum annually, the faith and credit of the State are solemnly and irrevocably pledged.

It, therefore, becomes your duty, as the guardians of the character and reputation of the State, to provide, if possible, the means of paying this sum. There are but two resources upon which you can rely for this purpose. The first is the landed property of the State, and second, a resort to direct taxation.

The State now owns 489,450.42-100 acres of land, equal in quality and location to any within her limits. This amount includes the land appropriated for town purposes on the canal line.

Although this land must ultimately attain great value, it will be impossible to render it available at present. This opinion will be confirmed by

a reference to the attempt that was made to pay the interest upon the canal debt by a sale of land.

An act was passed during the session of the Legislature of 1840, authorizing the commissioners to sell so much of the canal lands and lots, as would be required to pay the interest that would accrue that year.

Notwithstanding money was more plenty at that time than at present, and the disposition to invest it in land much greater, and notwithstanding the lands then offered were as valuable as any owned by the State, yet only a small portion could be sold, and the policy had to be abandoned as unavailing.

This serves to demonstrate the impracticability of realizing funds from the landed resources of the State, to pay the interest upon her debt.

It now becomes necessary to consider the only remaining resort within your reach, which is as before stated -direct taxation.

To this subject, in which the character and dignity of the State, as well as the interest of the public creditors, and the people whom you represent, are so deeply involved, your most serious consideration is invited.

At the date of my last message, a resort to this measure at the present time, for the payment of interest, was contemplated, and its practicability was not doubted. It was believed by adopting rigid economy in the public expenditures, that not only sufficient revenue for the ordinary expenses of the Government could be derived from the personal property and lands then taxable, at the rate of taxes then levied, but that a considerable surplus might be saved. This surplus added to the revenue, that it was anticipated would be collected from the vast quantity of lands annually becoming taxable, would go far towards the payment of interest upon the internal improvement debt. In the mean time it was expected that sales of canal lands would be made to meet the interest that would accrue upon the canal debt. But this expedient as before stated has failed, and now this debt, if provided for, must become like that of the internal improvement, a burden upon taxation: it, therefore, becomes necessary from this single source, to raise annually, for purposes of interest, \$670,282 77 instead of \$320,700. Nor is this the only obstacle, great as it is, that must be encountered in adopting this policy.

The experience of this and the past year has shown that the revenue derived from the natural increase of personal property, and the vast quantity of lands annually becoming taxable, will little more than compensate for the reduction produced by the decrease in the value of taxable property, caused by the pecuniary embarrassments of the country.

By reference to the assessment list, it will be seen that the quantity of taxable lands for the present year, exceeds that of the last more than 3,000,000 of acres, which at the lowest valuation increased the revenue \$27,000. Yet the reduction upon the value of property previously taxable, was so great that the aggregate assessment of the present year is only increased \$10,000.

It ought not to be overlooked that this great reduction in the value of taxable property, has occurred under the operation of the precautionary provision enacted by the last legislature, fixing the minimum valuation of taxable land at three dollars per acre, without which it is evident that reduction would have been much greater.

It is now obvious that in consequence of the almost total annihilation of our circulating medium, that a still greater reduction in the value of taxable property must ensue for the next year, and be continued from year to year so long as the cause which produced it shall exist, while the quantity of new lands annually becoming taxable, will be rapidly diminished.

Thus it will be perceived, that the hopes which were formerly so confidently indulged, of paying the interest upon our public debt by this means, have been doubly disappointed.

We cannot now expect to realize a revenue from taxation, sufficient to pay any considerable portion of it, without greatly increasing the rate. Under existing circumstances, however, the present rate is found to be so burthensome and oppressive, that I have felt constrained in another part of this communication to recommend its reduction.

Owing to our accumulated misfortunes, the tides of emigration and wealth have ceased to flow into the State. All the channels of trade are completely obstructed, and the vitality of business seems almost extinct. In many places money cannot be realized in sufficient amounts to answer as a medium of exchange.

The products of the country cannot be disposed of for cash at any price, and remain unavailable on the hands of the producers, or are bartered for the necessary articles of domestic consumption.

The greatest inconvenience and difficulty will be experienced in procuring current funds for the payment of taxes. To increase the rate at the present time would be to inflict general embarrassment and distress, and to impose upon the people a burthen which they could not possibly endure.

Therefore, I am forced to the unpleasant and humiliation conviction, that you cannot from this source, or any other at your command, make any permanent provision for the payment of interest.

The only possibility of relief from the heavy embarrassments under which the State is laboring, must be by the reduction of the principal—to the attainment of this desirable object all our energies and resources should be directed.

In view of the difficulties surrounding our affairs, and the crisis at which we have arrived, it will devolve upon this General Assembly to devise the means and adopt such policy as will most speedily and successfully call into requisition and render available the resources of the State.

Although cash cannot at present be realized for the lands owned by the State, it is nevertheless confidently believed that by the time the outstanding bonds become payable, those lands will attain a value at least equal to the whole amount of the public debt.

But as we are unable to pay the accruing interest, it is evident that its accumulation will exceed the annual increase of our means, and when the bonds become due, our ability to meet our obligations will be no greater than at present.

Therefore, necessity would seem to point out the propriety, if possible, of going into liquidation now, by placing those lands by legislative enactment at the option of the holders of our bonds.

By this means it is believed that the interest of the public creditors themselves would be promoted to a very great degree, as it would afford

them the opportunity of realizing lands upon equitable terms, for the bonds they hold, which otherwise must continue unavailable upon their hands, so long as the interest accruing upon them remains unpaid.

The adoption of this measure would at least evince a willingness on the part of the State to do justice to her creditors to the utmost of her ability, and should they be disposed to avail themselves of it, might enable her to reduce her debt, perhaps to a manageable sum. Should this policy be adopted, the Legislature will see the propriety of applying the canal lands exclusively to the redemption of the debt contracted on account of the canal.

In consequence of the depreciation of the notes of the State Bank of Illinois, it became my duty, in conjunction with the Auditor and Treasurer, under the provisions of an act entitled "An act, concerning the payment of revenue, and for other purposes," approved January 16th, 1836, to publish a proclamation, prohibiting the collectors from receiving the paper of that institution, in payment of revenue, from and after the 12th of September last. In order still further to protect the interest of the State, it became necessary to address the collectors a subsequent communication, admonishing them that the notes of the Bank of Illinois could not be received for more than their current value, and requesting them to suspend the further collection of revenue until after the meeting of the Legislature. It is understood that this request has been generally complied with, and in most of the counties no collections have yet been made. This course was suggested under the impression that little or no injury would result to the State, in consequence of the delay, and that you would have it in your power to relieve the people from at least a portion of their burthen. It was believed, by introducing proper reform and retrenchment, the ordinary expenses of the State government might be reduced greatly below former estimates.

With a view to this object a plan will be submitted for your consideration by the proper offices, exhibiting the various items of expenditure upon which reductions may be made. Should this plan prove practicable, the rate of taxes levied upon the present assessment may be reduced nearly one half. As the revenue now due is designed to meet the expenditures for 1843, the proposed reduction may be applied with great propriety to the assessment of the present year.

Owing to the failure of both our banks and the consequent scarcity of money, the produce of the country is reduced to the lowest price, and in many places cash cannot be realized for it at all. It will be difficult, if not impossible, for the people to procure current funds for the payment of taxes. A just regard for their interest dictates that the least possible amount should be exacted from them for this purpose at present.

I would, therefore, earnestly recommend that the rate of taxes be reduced as low as the most economical administration of the government will justify.

The condition of our banking institutions demands your most serious attention. Since the unfortunate alliance between them and the State was consummated, they have been the constant objects of legislative favor. In order to make that alliance mutually profitable to the banks and the State, and beneficial to the people, the most liberal policy towards them has been uniformly pursued. Their suspension of specie payments was

legalized, and new and extraordinary privileges added to their original liberal charters. The State contributed her utmost aid to establish their credit and give currency to their circulation. The safe keeping and disbursement of her revenue was confided to one, and the notes of both made receivable in payment of all her dues.

Upon institutions thus favored it was natural that the people should bestow the full measure of their confidence. Not the slightest doubt either of their solvency or fidelity was entertained. The interests of the country were deemed perfectly secure under their control. It was expected that the facilities they afforded would be ample and permanent, and that their circulation would constitute a safe and convenient currency. All this confidence, however, was misplaced, and was enjoyed by the banks only to be abused.

The most improvident use was made of their credit, discounts were unguardedly made, accommodations imprudently granted, and their issues extended, not only beyond all the bounds of moderation and prudence, but greatly beyond their ability to redeem them.

The inevitable consequence of this impolitic and extravagant course, was a resort for the second time to a suspension of specie payments. The disregard of principle and faithlessness manifested by this act should have deprived them at once of all legislative support. But at this time they had entwined themselves almost indissolubly around the interests of the country. Every department of business and trade was entirely at their mercy, the people and State were completely within their grasp. The pecuniary embarrassment and distress that would have been occasioned by the sudden withdrawal of their paper from circulation was truly alarming.

Influenced by these considerations and deceived by the deceitful prospects held out by the banks, that they would in a short time be able to recover from their difficulties, the legislature which assembled soon after their suspension, again rendered its aid and indulgence. The utmost liberality and lenity was extended to them at that and the succeeding sessions. Every measure that would tend to relieve their embarrassments and sustain their sinking credit was freely adopted. By pursuing this policy they merely postponed a calamity which it was not in their power to avert. That calamity has since fallen upon the country with a paralyzing force. The paper of the banks has depreciated to about one third of its nominal value. Thus a loss has been inflicted upon the country corresponding to this depreciation, upon the whole amount of their notes in circulation.

The injury they have in this manner occasioned has been greatly aggravated and increased by the peculiar circumstances under which it occurred.

The failure of a multitude of banks in the neighboring States, and the great reduction which had been effected in the circulation of others, preparatory to a resumption of specie payments, had caused an exclusive reliance for a currency upon our own institutions. The sudden depreciation of their paper has, therefore, almost entirely deprived us of a circulating medium. They still remain in a state of suspension, and will, I presume, in some manner be made the subject of legislation.

Should you merely withdraw your support from them, and leave them in the possession of their chartered privileges, by availing themselves of the reduced value of their paper, they will probably be able at some future period, to resume specie payments, and to some extent regain their credit. Should this ever happen, there is every reason to apprehend that it would only be to repeat their course of imprudence and folly, and to expose the country again to its ruinous and withering effects. They have already failed to accomplish the object for which they were created and have proved themselves utterly unworthy of trust or confidence. A just regard for the public interest requires that their corporate existence should be speedily terminated. As the most direct and effectual mode of attaining this object, I would recommend a repeal of their charters. The power of a succeeding legislature to repeal any act of a preceding one, affecting the public interest, results from the very nature of our institutions. It is the only effectual security of the rights of individuals against the invasions of corporate bodies. The period has arrived when it has become necessary that this power should be asserted and exercised. The careless and unguarded manner in which chartered privileges have been granted, the boldness and impunity with which those privileges have been abused, and the injury which has thus been inflicted upon the people, forcibly illustrate the absurdity and danger of subscribing to the doctrine of vested rights. The only effectual mode of restraining the grasping and overreaching spirit of monopolies, and of confining them within their chartered limits, is by a prompt and wholesome exercise of the repealing power. Prudence, of course, would dictate that this power should never be wantonly or unnecessarily employed, but when the conduct of a corporate institution renders it necessary, or the public welfare demands it, it should be unhesitatingly exercised. The unwarrantable conduct of our banks, and their relations to the interest of the people, render them in my estimation proper subjects for its application. Should you concur with me in opinion, and repeal their charters, it will become your duty to provide by law for a final settlement of their accounts, in such a manner as to secure, as far as possible, the rights of both the stock-holders and creditors.

A communication was addressed to me by the acting Secretary of the Treasury dated Nov. 4th, 1842, stating "that the accounting officers have adjusted the accounts of the several States and Territories, under the act of Congress entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," approved Sept. 4th, 1841, and that the sum of \$46,289 35 (including the additional ten per centum) has been found due to the State of Illinois. From this there will be deducted the amount due the United States on account of interest due and unpaid on certain stocks of the State, held by the United States, and the balance will be duly paid on the application of the authorized agent of the State." The 3d section of the act above recited provides, that the distributive share of money due to any State or Territory under the provisions of the law shall be paid to any person or persons whom the Legislature thereof should authorize to receive the same, or in case the Legislature was not in session, to any person or persons whom the Governor should appoint. The period of time which was to elapse between the receipt of the above communication and your meeting, was so short that

the State could not be injured by the delay; and as I conceived the matter of sufficient importance to require your action, I thought proper to decline authorizing an agent to receive the money, and now submit it entirely for your consideration. I was more strongly prompted to adopt this course by a knowledge of the fact, that the legislatures of several of the States have not only refused to accept the sums of money to which their States respectively became entitled under the provisions of the same law, but have expressed in strong and decided terms their entire disapprobation of the distribution policy. The patriotism and devotion to principle that these legislative bodies have evinced, by resisting the influence of this seductive and dangerous policy, cannot, in my estimation, be too highly commended. It would be a source of great gratification should you in your wisdom think proper to imitate their example. The distribution of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands to the States, is manifestly an exercise of power on the part of Congress not delegated by the Constitution of the United States. The revenue derived from the sales of the public lands does not differ in any respect from the revenue collected from customs. This is evident from the fact, that the cost of purchasing and surveying the public lands is paid out of the revenue derived from customs, and whatever deficit is occasioned in the United States Treasury by the distribution of the former, must be supplied by the latter.

The revenue derived from these two sources being in its character the same, Congress cannot exercise any more power over one portion than it could over the other. If, therefore, it can distribute the proceeds of the sales of public lands, it follows that it can also distribute the revenue collected from customs. It then becomes a question whether or not the Constitution of the United States clothes Congress with the power to collect revenue for the purpose of distributing to the States. The powers conferred upon Congress by the Constitution are of two classes, first those which are expressly delegated, and second, those which are essential or necessary to the exercise of delegated powers. The distribution of the revenue or any portion of it among the States, is not enumerated among the delegated powers, nor will any one, I presume, maintain that it is essential to the exercise of any delegated power. If this view of the subject be correct, the distribution of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands among the States, is not warranted by the Constitution, and is, therefore, an usurpation on the part of Congress.

This conclusion is strengthened by the consideration that while the people conferred upon Congress the power to collect revenue for the support of the General Government, they reserved to the States all the authority and power necessary to collect revenue for the support of the State governments respectively.

Having thus pointed out the unconstitutionality of this measure, I should leave it without further comment, were it not for the fact that it is presented to you under circumstances somewhat peculiar. The great financial embarrassments under which the State is laboring furnish a pretext, though not a justification, for your accepting the money that has accrued to this State under the provisions of the distribution act. The necessities of the State, however great they may be, cannot, in the slightest degree, justify you in sanctioning the violation of the sacred principles of the Constitution. The importance and value of those principles cannot be esti-

mated by paltry considerations of money. They are the land marks which have guided our course through periods of prosperity, and must not be lost sight of in seasons of adversity. Prudence, as well as consistency, requires that we should at all times, and under all circumstances, insist upon a rigid adherence to them on the part of our rulers. Your action, therefore, upon this subject, whatever it may be, must be regulated, not by considerations of the convenience or necessity of the State, but by solemn convictions of your duty as legislators under the Constitution. Another pretext for accepting the portion of the distribution money, now due the State, is found in the fact that the law making the distribution is suspended in its operations, and no further distribution will probably take place. This, however, is an erroneous view of the subject. The acceptance of any portion of the money by the Legislature of the State, would be a full and complete acknowledgment of the constitutionality of the law. And thus a precedent would be established for the regulation of all future legislation upon the subject.

It must not be forgotten that the suspension of the law is only temporary, and that its operation will be renewed whenever the causes which have produced the suspension shall cease to exist, or be removed by the further action of Congress. That one or the other of these contingencies will soon happen there can be little doubt. The policy of distribution is progressive in its nature, and will not be easily checked. This is manifest from the insidious, though rapid, progress it has made since its development up to the present time.

It first disclosed itself in 1836, when the question of disposing of the surplus revenue was in agitation. The obstacle which the Constitution of the United States presented against its distribution to the States, could not at that time be overcome. This obstacle was, however, circumvented by the provisions of the act of Congress entitled "An act to regulate the deposits of the public money," under which the surplus revenue was virtually distributed to the States. At the special session of 1841, the constitutional barrier was effectually broken down, and an act passed by Congress to distribute to the States the proceeds of the sales of the public lands. This act was passed when there was no surplus in the Treasury, when a debt of many millions was hanging over it, and when only a few weeks previous to its passage, and during the same session of Congress, it had become necessary to authorize a loan of twelve millions of dollars to defray the expenses of the Government. At this time some of the States, it is true, were deeply involved in debt, but others again were not only entirely free from debt, but actually had surplusses in their treasuries. Yet it was proposed to distribute the land revenue to the States, and supply its place in the National Treasury by a loan. The extravagance and folly of this measure, can only be accounted for by the corrupting influence of the distribution policy. The moment the States yield to this tempting influence their independence and sovereignty will be at an end. The privilege of expending the revenue, without any of the restraints which the responsibility of its collection imposes, will destroy every principle of moderation and economy. The extravagance which would thus be engendered, would furnish Congress with a pretext for collecting, by means of oppressive duties, an enormous revenue from the people, or for incum-

bering their labor and industry perhaps for ages to come with an immense national debt.

At the last session of the General Assembly it was known that the provision of selling bonds at par, for the construction of the Illinois and Michigan canal, which had been previously made, owing to their depreciation in the market, had become, and was likely to continue, unavailing.

In consequence, however, of the exhausted means and fallen credit of the State, no further provision for its prosecution could be made. Since that time the only reliance for the progress of the work has been the remainder of the proceeds of the sale of 1,000,000 of bonds negotiated by Gen. Thornton in 1840. After these funds were exhausted a portion of the contractors prosecuted their contracts to completion, and proposed to receive from the canal commissioners, bonds at par for the estimates due them. Accordingly, bonds were executed and paid to them to the amount of \$197,000. But the unprecedented depreciation of Illinois stocks about this time in the eastern market rendered a further continuance of this expedient unavailing. Since then the principal operations upon it have been carried on by the contractors, without any aid from the State, in order to finish existing contracts, and unless means can be derived from some new source the further prosecution of this work at present is impossible.

For a statement of its progress and present condition, I refer you to the report which will be submitted by the board of commissioners.

According to a statement recently received from the acting commissioner, the amount which has been expended towards its construction is computed at about \$4,800,000, and the amount which will be required for its completion is estimated at \$3,000,000.

It is to be deeply lamented that our embarrassments are such that we cannot at present realize this sum for so noble a purpose. The completion of this magnificent work has long been anticipated as the grand achievement which was to distinguish and give character to Illinois. The sublimity of connecting the great chain of northern lakes with the majestic Mississippi, could only be equalled by its utility. The advantages of this communication in order to be fully appreciated must be realized.

Its completion would give a new and powerful impulse to every department of business and industry throughout the entire State, and to this source, more than to all others combined, we might look for relief from our present difficulties. The advantages it would present, and the facilities it would afford, would cause tides of emigration and floods of wealth to pour into her bosom. Capital would be invested, manufactories erected, and improvements multiplied. While the revenue which would be derived from the rents of surplus water power and tolls, would furnish a permanent and increasing fund which might be applied to the payment of interest upon the public debt.

Although we have no means which we can apply to the prosecution of the canal at present, yet its great importance, and the vast amount which has been already expended upon it, when compared with the sum wanting for its completion, forbid the idea of its abandonment. I would, therefore, respectfully submit the propriety of memorializing Congress to grant to the State an additional quantity of land, which, together with what

remains of the former donation, will be sufficient for the remaining cost of its construction.

With a view to this object, our efficient and praiseworthy Senator, R. M. Young, has introduced a bill into the Senate of the United States, appropriating 477,818 acres of land for that purpose. This quantity is necessary to raise the grants made to this State to an equality with those already received by the State of Ohio. The bill was referred to the appropriate committee, and will probably be reported and acted upon during the present session of Congress. Should it be properly urged its success is confidently anticipated.

The importance of opening this communication, not only to Illinois, but to all the States and Territories bordering upon the lakes and Mississippi, as well as the facilities it would afford for the transportation of the mails, and in case of war the troops and munitions of war, mark it as an enterprise of high national character.

Under the provisions of an act of Congress entitled, "An act for the apportionment of representatives among the several States according to the sixth census," Illinois will hereafter be entitled to seven members. It, therefore, becomes your duty to provide by law for the election of that number of representatives to the twenty-eighth Congress. It cannot fail to be a source of gratification and pride to the citizens of Illinois, that while the ratio of representation has been raised so high as considerably to diminish the aggregate number of representatives, and of course to reduce the representation of many of the States, such has been the almost unexampled increase of our population since the last apportionment, that our own representation has been more than doubled.

The frequent recurrence of abuses of the elective franchise in this and other States, should admonish us of the necessity of more carefully and more effectually guarding that right. With a view to the accomplishment of that object, I would respectfully but earnestly recommend that the laws regulating elections be revised and so amended as to increase the penalties to be inflicted for their violation. And, also, at all future elections in this State to prohibit persons from voting in any precinct except the one in which they may actually reside. This provision, while it would not abridge the rights of any voter, would protect the institution from frauds and corruption. And although it might operate inconveniently in some instances, yet its necessity and the importance of the object to be attained by it, would abundantly justify its enactment. The preservation of this right in its utmost purity is essential to the maintenance of all our other republican institutions. Through its exercise alone can the majority of the people peaceably redress their wrongs, enact their laws, and select their rulers, and retain the powers of government in their own hands. While its exercise secures us the enjoyment of all the privileges and immunities of freemen, its abuse would be equally fatal to our liberty. Its corruption would subject the virtuous and intelligent majority to the usurpation and tyranny of a vicious and ignorant majority. Thus, this institution, instead of protecting and supporting the government, would become the means of its overthrow. It would, therefore, seem that any provision which may be necessary for its preservation should be promptly and unhesitatingly adopted.

By an act of Congress entitled "An act to distribute the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," approved Sept. 4th, 1841, the quantity of 210,135.85-100 acres of land was granted to the State of Illinois. An act was passed on the 19th of March, 1842, authorizing the Governors of the States of Illinois, Arkansas, and Missouri, to select the lands granted to those States respectively.

In conformity with the provisions of this act I appointed agents, and caused the before mentioned quantity of land to be selected and located, with the registers of the land offices, in the different districts in which the selections were made. In selecting this land, the agents were directed to visit and examine every separate tract, and to select none but the first quality. By the accompanying reports you will perceive that they discharged the trust confided to them with great care and fidelity. The land is represented to be of the finest quality, and advantageously located, and will, I have no doubt, prove highly valuable to the State. Although this land was granted by the law which provides for the distribution of the land revenue among the States, to which measure I have felt constrained in another part of this communication to express my decided objections, yet those objections are not applicable to a grant of land. Congress cannot distribute the proceeds of the sales of the public lands to the States, yet it might with the utmost propriety donate portions of those lands to the States in which they are situated. The proceeds of these lands applied to the opening of communications and the construction of improvements, which would encourage the growth and advancement of the new States, would greatly enhance the value, and facilitate the sale of the government lands within their limits.

This enlightened and liberal policy was long since adopted and extensive donations made to several of the States. The present grant, therefore, to Illinois, and others mentioned in the law, was merely regarded as an act of justice which was necessary in order to place them upon an equality with those which had previously received similar grants.

Having thus in an imperfect manner presented a few of the most prominent subjects which demand your consideration, such other matters as may solicit your attention I must leave your own wisdom to suggest. I sincerely regret that it has been my duty to exhibit so dark and gloomy a view of our present condition. It is truly unfortunate, that the errors of past legislation, should have impeded the progress and almost destroyed the prosperity of the State. But the experience we have had, and the lessons of economy it has taught, will enable us in time to repair the injuries that have been inflicted. And I confidently hope that the energies of the people, aided and encouraged by wiser councils, will rapidly develop the resources of the State and soon place her upon that eminence which she is at some future period destined to attain. I should do injustice to my feelings were I to close this, my last official communication, without expressing the profoundest sense of my gratitude to my fellow citizens for the kindness and partiality they evinced in elevating me to the station from which I am about to retire, and congratulating them upon their choice of a successor, whose experience, integrity and talents so eminently qualify him for discharging the responsibilities he is about to assume.

In conclusion, I would invoke upon your labors the blessings of Him whose province it is to rule the destiny of nations. May He endow you with understanding and wisdom, that will enlighten and guide your deliberations, that your acts may prove salutary to the public good.

THOMAS CARLIN.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 7, 1842.

Mr. Dollins moved that the message be laid on the table; which motion was agreed to.

Mr. Blair moved that 6,000 copies of the message be printed, in folio form, for the use of the House.

Mr. Browning moved 500 copies.

Mr. Owen moved 2000 copies.

Mr. Murphy moved 1000 copies.

The question being taken on printing 6000 copies, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Blair, Dollins, Menard, and Wilson—4.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—109.

Mr. Vandever moved that all motions to print be laid on the table; which was not agreed to.

On the question—"Shall 2000 copies be printed," it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Blair, Bradley, Cloud, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Weatherford, Wheat, and Wilson—41.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Comp-

ton, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lockard, Logan, McBride, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—69.

Mr. Murphy's motion to print 1000 copies was then agreed to.

A message from the Governor, by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State; which was read, as follows, to wit:

STATE OF ILLINOIS, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,

December 7, 1842.

To the Hon. the SPEAKER

of the House of Representatives.

SIR: In compliance with an act of Congress, approved March 19, 1842, entitled "An act to authorize the Governors of the States of Illinois, Arkansas and Missouri, to cause to be selected the lands therein mentioned," I have the honor herewith to transmit to the House of Representatives the accompanying reports of the agents appointed to select the lands granted to the State of Illinois by the provisions of an act entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," approved September 4, 1842.

The act above referred to, granted to this State 210,132:85 acres of land, which has been selected and located in the following districts, to wit: In the district of lands subject to sale at Chicago, 88,657:57, and in the Danville district, 43,504:19 acres. The residue of said grant has been located in the Dixon land district. Owing, however, to unavoidable delay, occasioned by ice in the Mississippi river, the reports of the selecting agents in the last named district has not reached me, it is, however, expected in a very few days, and will then be immediately laid before the House of Representatives. I have, also, caused to be selected and located nine sections of land required to complete the grant made to this State for canal purposes; likewise seven sections to complete the grant for seminary purposes.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully,

Your obedient servant,

THOMAS CARLIN.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The accompanying documents, referred to in the above message, were laid on the table without reading, and ordered to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the House.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Secretary of State, in answer to a call made upon him by a resolution of this House, to report the number of votes polled at the late general election for and against a convention; which,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Was laid on the table without reading, and ordered to be printed in pamphlet form, for the use of the House; when,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Douglas,

Resolved, That the names of the members calling for the yeas and nays, shall in all cases be spread upon the journals of this House.

Mr. Brinkley offered the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That a joint select committee be appointed, of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, to examine into all of the sales of internal improvement State bonds, and canal State bonds, made by all of the Fund Commissioners up to the present time; and the committee to report to the House of Representatives and the Senate the amount sold by each commissioner, and the amount accounted for by each commissioner; when,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

It was laid on the table.

Mr. Cloud, on the part of the joint select committee appointed to wait upon the Honorable Thomas Ford and the Honorable John Moore, and inform them of their elections as Governor and Lieutenant Governor, and to know of them when it would suit their convenience to meet the two Houses in the Hall of the House of Representatives, to take their respective oaths of office,

Report that they have performed that duty, and received for answer, that they would meet the two Houses this day at 2 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of qualifying.

On motion of Mr. Marshall,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to report to this House without delay, whether he has complied with a joint resolution of both Houses of the General Assembly of this State at its last session, requiring him to revise all the laws of this State of a general nature, including those enacted at that session of the Legislature, published and bound in one volume, for the use of the State.

Mr. Keorner moved the adoption of the following resolutions, viz:

1. *Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois*, That the sole object of free government is to protect its citizens in the enjoyment of their natural rights, by preventing one from using his rights to the prejudice of the other.

2. That the people are fully capable of taking care of their own welfare and happiness, and of entering into such contracts or mutual obligations as they think most conducive to their interest and prosperity, and that they do not ask legislative action any further than is consistent with the legitimate purposes of government.

3. That any interference on the part of the Legislature with the lawful business and contracts of the citizens, beyond the enactment of such laws as secure to them proper remedies for enforcing the obligations which they naturally owe to each other, or which they have legally entered into, is not warranted by the fundamental principles of a free and republican

system of government, and contrary, if not to the letter, yet to the spirit of the Constitution of the United States and of our own State.

4. That the principle of non-interference with the lawful pursuits and legitimate business of the people is the most prominent feature distinguishing free from despotic governments; which latter arrogate to themselves a paternal control over all the affairs of their subjects, pretending to know the interests of the people better than they themselves.

5. That every legislative act, which subverts long established and well known rules of law, under the existence of which contracts and obligations have been entered into, and which affects and impair the rights flowing from such contracts or obligations, although enacted under the specious pretext of relieving the people from a momentary pressure, is of a dangerous and demoralising tendency, anti-democratic in its spirit, and ultimately injurious to the best interests of the people.

6. That the Constitution of the United States, in prohibiting the States to pass laws impairing the obligation of contracts, and the Constitution of Illinois, enjoining the same prohibition on our Legislature, and by providing moreover, that every person within this State ought to find a certain remedy in the laws, for all injuries and wrongs which he may receive in his person, property and character, and that he ought to obtain right and justice, freely, completely, promptly and without delay, meant to prevent the exercise of crude and hasty legislation in regard to the contracts and mutual engagements of the people.

7. That we, therefore, deprecate the passage of all laws tending to violate these natural and constitutional principles, by impeding the citizens in pursuing such remedies to enforce their contracts, as existed at the time of entering into such contracts, and in fact formed part of the same, by delaying directly or indirectly for an unreasonable time the collection of fair claims and demands, which have originated before alterations in the existing laws were made; and by retrospectively imposing hardships, and so virtually practising fraud and deception, upon an honest and confiding portion of the community.

Mr. Dubois moved that the resolutions be laid on the table and printed.

Mr. Owen called for a division of the question,

On the question—"Shall the resolutions be laid on the table?"

The yeas and nays being demanded by Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Smith of Hancock, it was decided in the affirmative.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blake-man, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat,

Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—98.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Danner, Dougherty, Howard, Koerner, Penn, and Thompson—11.

On motion of Mr. Pratt,

Resolved, That the Auditor of Public Accounts be requested to furnish this House with the names of the counties, if any, that have paid their State taxes for the year 1842; the amount paid by each, designating the kind of funds received from each.

Mr. Murphy moved the following resolution.

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be allowed to the citizens of this place and others, this evening after the hour of 5 o'clock, for the purpose of paying their respects to the Governor elect, at inauguration party; when,

Mr. Thompson moved the following amendment,

“Provided there shall be no dancing in the Hall of the House of Representatives, during the entertainment of the evening; which amendment was accepted as a modification of the original resolution.”

Mr. Ames moved to lay the resolution and amendment on the table; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Howard moved the following amendment to the amendment, viz:

“That if any one should dance, he or she should pay a fine not exceeding five dollars.”

Mr. Murphy moved that Mr. Howard's amendment be laid on the table; which was agreed to.

The resolution as modified, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That so much of the message of Governor Carlin as relates to memorializing Congress on the subject of a further grant of lands to aid in the construction of the Illinois and Michigan canal, be referred to a select committee of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, with instructions to draft a memorial on the subject, and report the same to the Senate.

Ordered, That Messrs. Arnold, Hannaford and Koerner be said committee.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Sharp moved the adoption of the following resolutions.

Resolved, That so much of Governor Carlin's message as relates to internal improvements, be referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Resolved, That so much as relates to the distribution of the national treasure, be referred to the committee on Finance.

Resolved, That so much as relates to the elective franchise, be referred to the committee on Elections.

Resolved, That so much as relates to the banks, be referred to the committee on Finance.

Resolved, That so much as relates to the lands, be referred to the committee on Finance.

Resolved, That so much as relates to the canal, be referred to the committee on Canals; which were,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,
Indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

Resolved, That the Door-keeper be required to procure a screen, to be placed between the stove and the seats of members near the south door, leading into the Representative chamber, as the heat is oppressive and detrimental to health and comfort.

Mr. Ficklin moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois, be requested to lay before this House, at his earliest convenience, a tabular statement of all the bonds of the State of Illinois, now outstanding, together with the names and residence of the present holders, so far as he may know them. That he designate those for which a valuable consideration was paid to the State, and those that were sold to irresponsible or broken banks, or individuals; also, that he give such information as he may have relative to the price of said bonds in London, New York and Philadelphia; also, that he give his opinion as to the willingness of the holders of the bonds of the State, to exchange them on fair terms for the lands or other property owned by the State; and also, that he give the House any information that he may have relative to the banks of the State purchasing State bonds, since their depreciation, or, if the purchasing State bonds by individuals for the purpose of procuring bank stock of either of the banks of Illinois, or any interest whatever in said stock, or of controlling the same in any manner whatsoever. That he also state the condition of the claim of the State against A. H. Bangs & Co., and against John Delafield, for bonds heretofore sold to them; also, the condition of bonds sold to the Bank of Commerce, at Buffalo, the Commercial Bank at Buffalo, and the Erie County Bank.

That he state what amount of bonds were sold or hypothecated to Nevins & Townsend of New York city, by the several Fund Commissioners of this State. That he, also, give such information as he may have on the subject of banks and other corporations having speculated in bonds since their depreciation, and what portion of the bonds remain in the hands of the original purchasers; which,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The present pecuniary embarrassment of the people of this State is unparalleled in its history, and has not been brought about on account of a want of industry and energy among her citizens, but is wholly attributable to the issue of bank paper accompanied by extravagance in legislation, as well as in every other department of business.

Resolved, therefore, That the Legislature has not only constitutional power to pass laws for the relief of the people, but it is their duty so to do, and that the pecuniary embarrassment of the people of this State imperiously demands the passage of such a law immediately; which,

On motion of Mr. Keoier,

Was laid upon the table.

Mr. Dollins moved for adoption the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, The unparalleled derangement of the monetary affairs of the

country has been rarely witnessed on any former occasion, mainly produced by the deception of the banking system, which, with all its false and often violated pledges, has hitherto run the race of fraudulency, with unblushing impudence and impunity, leaving in its train the most unexampled distress, that a depreciated and worthless paper currency could possibly inflict on any community: *And whereas*, The country was promised in 1840, by the universal whig party, (by an accession of power,) good times, a restoration of confidence, high prices for our produce and labor: *And whereas*, The country has looked in vain, with anxious expectation, to this party for a performance of their pledges until the most credulous have despaired and sickened in hope; therefore,

Resolved, That a select committee of nine be appointed, whose duty it shall be to report a bill to prevent the sacrifice of the property of the poor but honest debtor.

Messrs. Dollins and McDonald demanded the yeas and nays.

Mr. Hicks called for a division of the question, and demanded a vote on the preamble first.

Mr. Murphy moved an indefinite postponement; when,
The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Resolved, That a committee of seven be appointed to wait upon the Governor and Lieutenant Governor elect, and conduct them into the Representative Hall, for the purpose of taking the oaths of office.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ficklin, Jonas, McClermand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Stewart, Weatherford, and Dubois be said committee.

At the hour appointed, the Senate, preceded by their Speaker, appeared and took their seats in the Representative Hall; when,

The Honorable Thomas Ford, Governor elect, and the Honorable John Moore, Lieutenant Governor elect, conducted by the aforesaid committee, also, appeared and took their seats in the Hall,

Whereupon,

The Honorable Sidney Breese, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court of this State, administered to the said Honorable Thomas Ford, Governor elect, the oath of office as required by the Constitution.

The same oath was then administered to the Honorable John Moore, Lieutenant Governor elect, by the said Justice Breese; when,

The Governor arose and deliver the following address to both Houses of the General Assembly, to wit:

Fellow citizens of the Senate

and House of Representatives:

Being about to take upon myself the high trust, confided to me by the people, duty and inclination alike prompt me to express to you, this first opportunity afforded me, my most grateful acknowledgments for their par-

tiality; and to assure you that whatever of zeal and humble ability I may possess, shall be faithfully and honestly devoted to their service, as the only means in my power of requiting in some degree the great honor of the public favor.

Indeed, so profound is my gratitude for the suffrages of my fellow citizens, that I regret only my limited means and poor capacity to serve them as well and as much as I could wish. The situation of the State presents a field of labor, where every thing is required to be done, and but little to do with. Our young State, once standing so proudly amongst her sisters of the Union; growing, populating and flourishing beyond all former precedent, has, by ill advised legislation, and by a worse execution of laws, bad in themselves, been reduced in a short space of time to a condition mortifying to our love country. It is not my design to cast censure upon the former government of the State. For perhaps, if we had been the public servants, during that time of disastrous legislation, we might have been possessed by the same phrenzy which precipitated our predecessors, and in fact nearly the whole people of this, and many other States of the Union, upon that course of policy which now appears to us so extravagant,

It may, nevertheless, be useful to inquire somewhat into the causes, which have contributed to produce our present embarrassments, not with the view to censure any one, but as a guide to future legislation. Undoubtedly our present great indebtedness is mainly attributable to the general desire of sudden and unwarrantable gain. We have not been satisfied with the slow, but sure profits of industry and lawful commerce. Speculation in every branch of business was the order of the day, and every possible means was hastily and greedily adopted to give an artificial value to property. In accomplishing this object, as to the manner and means, we surrendered our judgments to the dictates of a wild imagination. No scheme was so extravagant as not to appear plausible to some. The most wild calculations were made of the advantages of a system of internal improvement; of the resources of the State to meet all expenditures, and of our final ability to pay all indebtedness without taxation—mere possibilities appeared to be highly probable; and probabilities were the livery of certainty itself.

These few leading causes of our present difficulties, are presented for attentive and sober consideration; so that in applying the remedy we may avoid all former delusion. Indeed, we must be thoroughly assured, that if we are to render any efficient service to our common constituents, we must take the course directly opposite, in many particulars, to that which has been hitherto pursued. We must get back to the dictates of common sense and sober judgment. The days of phrenzied and ingenious scheming are numbered, and our future measures, whatever they may be, must be characterized by simplicity and by common sense, otherwise no manner of success can be expected.

The manner in which the accounts of the State have been kept, with reference to the internal improvement system, renders it extremely difficult to ascertain our true situation. The law heretofore has not required an account of the whole indebtedness to be kept in any public office at the seat of Government. A part of the information necessary to a knowledge of our true condition is to be obtained only at the canal office at Lockport, to which it has not been convenient for me to have access,

and another portion is attainable only from the various public agents engaged in negotiating loans. I have, therefore, but little confidence that the statement which I make will be entirely correct, though perhaps enough so for present practical purposes.

The whole amount of the State debt, excluding interest now due, may be put down at the sum of fifteen millions one hundred and eighty-seven thousand three hundred and forty-eight dollars and seventy-one cents; which sum, from the best information which I can obtain, appears to be composed of the following items:

Bonds negotiated on account of the Canal,	- - -	\$3,747,000 00
Scrip and certificates of indebtedness issued to contractors by the Canal Board,	- - - - -	689,408 00
Bonds negotiated on account of the system of internal improvements,	- - - - -	5,085,444 00
Scrip issued to contractors on account of internal improvement,	- - - - -	929,305 53
Bonds issued to and purchased by the State Bank on account of State stock,	- - - - -	1,765,000 00
Bonds issued to and purchased by the Bank of Illinois on account of State stock,	- - - - -	900,000 00
Bonds issued on account of the State House at Springfield,		121,000 00
Due the Government of the United States, when called for, on account of surplus revenue deposited in the State Treasury,	- - - - -	477,919 00
A portion of this sum, by act of the General Assembly, was added to the school fund, and consequently, by our present law, we are indebted to the school fund on that account in the sum of	- - - - -	335,592 00
Due the school, college and seminary funds for moneys borrowed by act of the General Assembly to assist in paying the current expenses of the State,	- - - - -	472,492 18
Due the State Bank of Illinois for paying Auditor's warrants and interest on the the same,	- - - - -	294,190 00
To the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown on settlement,	- - - - -	369,998 00

Upon the whole of this sum, except so much as is due to the school, college and seminary funds, and so much as is due to the United States on account of surplus revenue deposited, interest is now due from the first day of July, 1841. It has hitherto been supposed, that the profits of the State stock in the two banks would be amply sufficient to pay interest, not only on the sum paid in bonds, amounting to two millions six hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars, but also on the further sum of three hundred and thirty-five thousand five hundred and nine-two dollars, part of the surplus revenue, first added to the school fund and then converted into bank stock. But the failure of those banks, and their present precarious situation, renders it almost certain that if we continue our connection with them the amount of bonds paid in will be nearly a total loss, and consequently that sum will form one of the demands upon which interest will have to be provided in future. Those banks have not for a long time past, so far as I am informed, declared or paid any dividends in favor of the State; consequently, the interest provided by law to be paid to the several counties on the sum of \$335,592, part of the surplus revenue

added to the school fund, has formed a demand on the State Treasury and has been paid out of the ordinary revenues derived from taxes. I cannot believe that it was the intention of former legislatures to make this a permanent demand upon the treasury, to be raised by taxation. It must undoubtedly have been supposed by our predecessors that the profits of banking would be fully sufficient to meet the appropriation. I, therefore, submit to the General Assembly whether the State is any longer bound to pay interest on that sum, unless it can be derived from the profits of the investment.

Many persons suppose, and I think with great probability, that an arrangement can be made with the two banks, by which the State can get back the two millions six hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars in bonds, which have been issued to them.

As the banks have not furnished the proper departments with the information from time to time, required by law, nor published any account of the state of their business, it is at present impossible to judge whether the assets of those institutions will, upon a final settlement, be more or less than the market value of our bonds. If those assets should amount to more than the market value of the bonds, so as to make it probable, that our bank stock would sell for more than our bonds, I would recommend a sale of the stock and with the avails purchase bonds to a greater amount. But I apprehend that our stock in those institutions could not be readily and advantageously sold. The State owns a majority of stock in both of the banks, and by law is entitled to only a minority of the directors. The minority in interest controls the majority. This being the case, it does not appear to me probable that this stock would be desirable to individual owners. In fact, by the fundamental error committed by our predecessors, in giving a majority of the directors to the private stockholders, the State stock has been rendered of little or no value to the State. I would, accordingly, recommend, if we can by any just arrangements with the banks, get back our funds invested without loss, that such an arrangement should be made. I feel further warranted in making this recommendation, by former experience of the disastrous attempts at State speculation, in which we always have been and always will be the losers. States and nations cannot possess the facilities and shrewdness in bargaining which characterize the business of sagacious individuals in their own affairs, and can never attempt it without being circumvented in a thousand ways, unforeseen and unprovided for by the Legislature.

If this arrangement can be made, the remaining indebtedness will amount to \$12,186,756 71, from which, if we exclude the sum of \$477,919, being the surplus revenue deposited in the treasury, and for which we are not as yet accountable, and probably never will be, we find the sum of \$11,608,837 71 of principal, upon which interest ought to be paid, amounting annually to the sum of \$696,530.

I am happy to have it in my power, to announce to the Legislature, and through them to the world, that there is no disposition, so far as I know, in any department of the government, or with the people of this State, to avoid the payment of this debt. Although the elections in August last were conducted with much warmth on the part of the candidates and people, not more than one or two individuals were found willing to offer their services upon the principles of repudiation; and those individuals

were unsuccessful in their elections. Thus demonstrating beyond the possibility of a doubt that neither public nor individual honor and honesty are extinct, but that as strong an attachment to the principles of justice, and as sound a state of moral feeling exists here as is to be found elsewhere.

Nevertheless, the magnitude of the debt and the failure on the part of the State to pay interest, have been attended by the most injurious consequences. Our people have been rendered unhappy, and look with alarm at the prospect before them. Many of them if possible would dispose of their property at a considerable sacrifice, with a view to emigration; another considerable portion at the north, for this reason, have desired to have their district of country annexed to Wisconsin Territory. Emigration to the State has almost ceased; our fellow citizens of other States, for want of proper information, have considered us as little better than a band of outlaws; individual and State credit have been destroyed, and our citizens when abroad, are made, by constant reproaches and insults, to feel the degradation of our condition.

And yet we have never repudiated. The last Legislature adopted measures, which they in good faith thought amply sufficient to meet all liabilities until the present time. They set apart a fund to pay the interest on interest bonds, and authorized the sale of those bonds at any price, for the purpose of raising money to pay accruing interest.

The measure was not a wise one, but it was adopted in good faith; and would probably have succeeded if the unforeseen scarcity and derangement in money matters, and the failure of the banks, upon which we partly relied, had not prevented it.

An enquiry of great interest to the people here presents itself to be made, which is, how is the money to be raised in future to pay interest? Can it be raised otherwise than by taxation? And if not, would justice and sound policy and the ability of the people justify immediate payment.

Two full years' interest will be due on the whole amount of debt, before the property belonging to the State can be sold or taxes collected, amounting to the sum of \$1,393,060. The exigencies of the State will require the further sum of \$135,968, to be raised from the taxes, to pay the current expenses of the government, making in the whole the sum of \$1,528,828 for the first year, and the sum of \$832,448 annually thereafter.

The means of payment without taxation consist in about four hundred and seventy thousand four hundred and sixty-seven acres of land, in various parts of the State; about two thousand one hundred and ninety-one town lots, on the line of the canal; the canal itself; the contemplated water power belonging to the canal; two mill seats on the Little Wabash river; fifty-five miles of finished railroad; various commencements of other railroads; railroad iron, and the State stock in the banks, if no arrangement can be made to recover the bonds held by them.

It is believed that the State stock and the unfinished railroads, would be nearly if not quite unsaleable. The water power on the canal would be of no value before the work is completed; the town lots, also, mainly depend upon the completion of the canal for a marketable quality as well as value; the railroad iron is unsuitable for any other purpose, and, therefore, of little value in market; and the remaining property of the State, though valuable, could not be sold for cash, for a year or two to come, without incurring ruinous losses. Any sale of the canal or canal lands, or lots,

before the completion of the work, would be impossible, for any just equivalent. The forced sale of all this property at this time, or for some time to come, would scarcely yield a sum sufficient to pay more than one or two years' interest; leaving the principal debt and future interest a continuing demand upon the people.

The following considerations have operated forcibly on my mind, in bringing me reluctantly to the conclusion that payment in money at present, raised by taxation, is impossible.

1st. The taxable property in the State, by the assessment of 1841, amounted to \$69,831,419. About one and a half per cent. on this amount would have to be imposed, whereas, the people are scarcely able to pay the present tax of thirty cents on the hundred dollars.

2d. This tax would be in addition to the county taxes, amounting generally to the half of one per cent.

3d. The late census exhibits the fact, that there were in the State in 1841, 123,500 male inhabitants over the age of fifteen and under the age of fifty years. We know that our population has increased but little since that time; from which it is safe to infer that there are not more than eighty-five thousand able-bodied men, efficiently engaged in the production of the material which is to maintain themselves and the residue of population, and the surplus of which is to furnish the means from which the revenue is to be raised.

4th. The amount of good money in the State would scarcely exceed, and probably not equal, double the amount to be raised by taxation for a single year, and at least one half of this is confined in the banks, so as to be of no manner of use in our business.

5th. Our people are most generally engaged in agriculture, and whilst so employed, can never expect so great a proportion of money in circulation as is possessed by commercial and manufacturing districts. The cost in money of agricultural pursuits is less, and less is paid out in carrying them on, which accounts for the greater ability of commercial and manufacturing countries to raise money by taxation.

Thus we arrive at a conclusion of painful interest, that the State is not in a condition to fulfil its solemn engagements; and however mortifying it is to our pride, there is still one consolation, which is, that it has been produced by a want of ability, and not by a want of inclination. The main thing with which the world can justly reproach us is, that we were visionary and reckless; that without sober deliberation, we jumped headlong into ambitious schemes of public aggrandizement, which were not justifiable by our resources. Nor are our original creditors free from reproach, on the same account.

They as men of intelligence, sufficient for the proper management of large capital, ought as well as ourselves, to have foreseen our future want of ability, and the constant catastrophe which our common error has produced.

It is barely possible that a most rigorous system of oppressive taxation would yield a sum sufficient to pay interest for a single year. But such a tax could not be repeated.

The apprehension of it would spread consternation and alarm throughout the breadth of the land. Our citizens would sell their property at any sacrifice and leave us for some happier home. The whole world would

avoid our shores as they would avoid certain destruction. We would depopulate the State of its present inhabitants, and prevent any future accession by alarming strangers abroad.

Under these circumstances, it appears to me, to be neither to the interest of the people, nor solidly advantageous to our creditors, that we should make a violent and spasmodic exertion to raise money by taxation. If our creditors are ever to be paid, it will not be by the mere territory composing the State, nor by the abstract thing called State sovereignty, but by the people who may be here, the inhabitants of the land; and how are they to be paid if we depopulate our country?

Two causes have operated to prevent an increase of population for a year or two past; one is the prevalent fear of exorbitant taxes; the other the reproach to which we are subject abroad. The remedy for this is obvious. Let it be known in the first place that no oppressive and exterminating taxation is to be resorted to; in the second, we must convince our creditors and the world, that the disgrace of repudiation is not countenanced amongst us. That we are honest, and mean to pay, as soon as we are able. I would, therefore, recommend to the General Assembly to speak on this subject in the most decisive manner, so as to give every assurance, that in due time, we will tax ourselves according to our ability to pay our debts. The consequence will be, that our creditors, who are persons of power and influence, instead of reproaching us and getting up a moral crusade against us, as against a confederated band of unprincipled swindlers, with the view to coerce as to our duty, will be directly interested in doing us all the good in their power. They no doubt will exert themselves to send us substantial inhabitants, and will point out our fertile soil to all who may wish a new home in the west.

If this policy shall be adopted, it is believed that we may safely rely upon a vast and speedy increase of our numbers and wealth. The large extent of our territory, the variety of climate and production, and the unrivalled fertility of our soil, must, with the current of emigration again directed towards us, infallibly and speedily raise us from our present condition. In the mean time we are imperatively required to make every exertion and sacrifice consistent with self preservation, to keep the faith of the State. Let us offer to our creditors all that we have, at fair and reasonable prices, at least the forty-two thousand acres of land entered under the internal improvement system, together with two hundred and ten thousand acres donated to the State by the General Government, the railroads finished and unfinished, and all the property of the State pertaining to the railroad system.

It is believed that many of our creditors would receive this property at reasonable prices, and if so, a large amount of our debt would be immediately extinguished; if not, the lands will be continually increasing in value, and becoming more and more available as a resource in future.

The canal lands and lots and other property belonging to it, stand upon a different footing. This property was first given to the State in trust to make the canal. It was afterwards appropriated by the General Assembly to that specific object, and solemnly pledged to creditors for the payment of money heretofore borrowed, and which money has been used in the construction of the canal so far as it has proceeded. Those creditors, therefore, have such a separate and exclusive right to its avails, as would

not without their consent, justify throwing it into an aggregate fund for a general payment of debt. If they should require it, we would be bound in duty and honor to surrender it to them. It is, however, believed that no such requisition will be made. They understand their true interest too well; they know as well as ourselves, the importance and profitable character of this great work, and would prefer looking to its probable completion, rather than an immediate sacrifice of the means of carrying it on, for ultimate payment. They must, and do understand, that if this property should be sacrificed, the State will have no means of payment for a long time to come; whereas if the canal progresses to completion, the lands and lots and water power will be quadrupled in value, and the tolls alone would in a short time pay interest on all the debt contracted for its construction.

In this view of the subject, it is manifestly for the interest of the people, as well as our creditors, that the work should progress to completion, if possible, before any of the canal lands or other property shall be sold, and it is equally the interest of all, that the work should not be abandoned, but prosecuted with all the energy and reasonable means in our power, as one of the surest and speediest measures tending to the extinguishment of our debt.

The sum of four millions eight hundred thousand dollars, or thereabouts, has already been expended on this work in its construction and in the payment of interest; seven hundred and fifty thousand five hundred and thirty dollars and forty-two cents of which has been raised by a sale of lands, lots, timber and stone. 10 580 acres of land were sold in 1830 for \$14,201 87; also, at the same time, 126 lots in Chicago and 9 lots in Ottawa, were sold for \$4,594. Since 1836, 40,295 acres have been sold for \$302,248 40; and about 189 lots in La Salle, Ottawa and Lockport, for \$77,793; stone and timber to the amount of \$9,659. And sales were made in Ottawa and Chicago in 1836, for which cash has been received to the amount of \$544,074 97; and there is now due the canal fund on account of sales, the sum of \$207,682 53.

In addition to this balance, the property belonging to the canal fund is as follows:—230,467 acres of land, 370 lots in Chicago, 679 in Lockport, 914 in Ottawa, 1528 in La Salle, other town property to be laid out at Juliet, Du Page and other places; and the water power on the entire line of the canal; the whole valued, by the acting canal commissioner, from whom these statistics were derived, at the sum of \$5,050,000. It is, however, due to the subject to state that this valuation is predicated upon the hypothesis that the canal is to be completed, or in sure prospect thereof.

This work has progressed nearly five eighths towards completion, even according to the plan hitherto pursued of an enlarged canal, the deep cut through the summit level, mostly rock, and using the lake as a feeder. One of my predecessors in his message of December, 1834, recommended that a commencement should be made of a steamboat canal, and to use the waters of the lake as a feeder, thereby to improve the navigation of the Illinois river, and by increasing its current, probably render its shores more healthy. The example of New York was relied on, to show that we like her, if we commenced and finished a canal of a smaller size, in the first instance, would soon be compelled to enlarge it; it does not, however, appear to have occurred to the statesmen of that day, that the smaller canal was

most suitable to our resources, and that if New York had proceeded to make her enlarged work in the first instance, in the infancy of her means, very probably her effort would have been as abortive as many persons fear ours has been. One thing is pretty certain, which is, that enough has already been expended to have finished a canal of moderate size, and sufficient for all the wants of the people for many years to come. But such magnificent ideas had seized upon our imaginations, that moderation in any thing was out of the question. The project of a steamboat canal, of improving the navigation of the Illinois river, and rendering its shores more healthy, is alluded to only for the purpose of showing the inflated and bombastic notions prevailing at the time, which by bewildering and depraving the public intellect, finally led to the extravagances subsequently committed, in the way of railroads and other internal improvements. Of all the internal improvements authorized by former legislation, the canal was perhaps the only one which ought at the time to have been undertaken. The Congress of the United States had made a most munificent grant of lands, which we held in trust for this express purpose. Therefore, in prosecuting this enterprize we had means independent of taxes, so that our predecessors could not have been charged with extravagance of design, if their efforts had been confined to this one work.

It is confidently believed, that the residue of the work on this great enterprize can be completed, on the plan of a small high level canal, amply sufficient for the purposes of trade for years to come, and at a cost of one half less than the estimates for the plan heretofore pursued.

The cost of completing it, according to the original plan, is estimated at about \$3,000,000; whereas if one of a more moderate size, upon the high level plan, using the Des Plaines and Calumet rivers as feeders, should be adopted, the highest estimate would not exceed \$1,500,000.

It is freely conceded that the more magnificent plan hitherto pursued, is entirely the most captivating, and would be altogether preferred, if our resources were adequate thereto. But it is the present, or early use of the canal, which is most desired by the people. Providence bountifully crowns their labor with the greatest abundance; but the greater portion of them are restricted to a single and inadequate market. This communication would open another and a better market for three-fourths of the people of this State, and a large portion of those of Missouri and Iowa; and by withdrawing them from the southern mart, the residue of the produce, which is obliged to go there, would put a formidable rival out of its way. This is a consideration which ought to weigh heavily with that portion of the State which, from geographical position, seems least interested in the work. The early completion of the canal is also greatly to be desired, as the only present means of paying interest on the debt already incurred.

I, therefore, respectfully recommend to the General Assembly, that the further measures to be adopted for the prosecution of the work, should be upon the plan of a moderate sized high level canal. I am fully sensible of the great responsibility assumed by me, in making this recommendation; nothing but a full conviction of our inability to proceed with the enlarged work would justify a change of plan after it has progressed so far as it has. But, in view of our present and prospective want of credit and resources, it does seem that the enlarged work is not to be achieved by any means

now in our power; and, indeed, it does seem that we are to choose between reduction, and no canal of any description.

It is a matter of great difficulty to hit upon the most appropriate means of further progress. Much diversity of opinion exists on this subject. I forbear, at this time, all comment upon the various plans proposed, but assure the General Assembly that it will afford me sincere pleasure to co-operate with the two Houses in any reasonable course of proceeding, which shall be thought to be most advisable. I reserve for a special message some further suggestions upon this subject, in which it will be in my power to communicate more information than I now possess.

As it has already been stated, the school fund amounts to \$808,104 39, of this, \$335,592 21 is derived from the surplus revenue; \$415,575 52 from the three per cent. school fund, and \$56,917 66, from sale of seminary lands. It appears, also, that there is now due to the State on account of the three per cent. fund, the further sum of \$37,206 39; and \$41,909 35 appears to be coming to the State as our distributive share of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands. This latter sum, if received, the General Assembly can rightfully appropriate as the wants of the State may require, but the former is sacred to the purpose of education. It has been our former practice, on account of a deficiency of revenue, and too much fear of levying adequate taxes, to borrow this fund as it occurred, to pay the current expenses of government, and promise an interest of six per cent. to be distributed amongst the several counties. Good faith to ourselves, to the United States, from whom it is derived, and to the rising generation, created the most sacred obligation that this interest should have been punctually paid in good money. On the contrary, it has been paid for nearly a year past, in depreciated paper, and there is no provision by existing laws for paying it otherwise in future. It does seem, then, that if we find ourselves unable to make payment in cash or its just equivalent, it is little better than robbery to continue the system of borrowing, and a guilt but little less is contracted if we refuse to make provision for paying interest in good funds on the sum already borrowed. It is unfortunate that no system of revenue and expenditure has ever existed in this State; the appropriations have generally exceeded the revenue, and hence the necessity of borrowing the school fund as a means of paying current expenses. At this moment our domestic debt amounts to about \$313,089 19, and there is, of present means, about 12,117 28, in the paper of the two banks, in the treasury to pay it. Appropriations have been constantly voted without reference or enquiry as to the competency of the revenue to pay them; and thus we have been getting deeper and deeper in debt, as if our purpose were to subsist by expedients, and throw the burdens of present government upon future generations. It does seem to me that the main cause to which this want of system is to be attributed, is that our predecessors have not sufficiently confided in the reports of competent financial committees, who, from their position and the enquiries necessarily to be made by them, could survey the whole ground of revenue and expenditure. A reformation in this particular is absolutely essential to any advancement in correcting existing evils.

The State taxes for the year 1841 amounted to \$210,445, of which the sum of \$169,000 has been collected, the residue is to be accounted for, either as having been expended in collecting or allowed as credits for

delinquencies of tax payers. The gross amount of revenue for 1842, will probable amount to \$240,000, of which, according to former precedent, \$210,000 may be collected. The expenditures of the State in 1841, amounted to \$236,442, and in 1842, \$135,494.

The present system of revenue is the most expensive and complicated which could well have been devised; more officers are employed in collecting than in any other State, and the compensation allowed them is unnecessarily high. No less than two officers, the Auditor and Treasurer, at the seat of Government, and six others, consisting of an assessor and collector, clerks of the circuit and the county commissioners' court, and sheriff and printer for each county, are employed at an expense estimated as equal to twelve and one half per cent. upon the whole assessment. The cost of printing the delinquent list, alone, amounts to \$5,530 80. By abolishing the ceremony of carrying the delinquent list into the circuit court for judgment, the agency of one of the clerks, and the cost of several transcripts, could be dispensed with; and by requiring the whole duty of collection to be performed by either the sheriff or collector, the amount of compensation could be reduced.

The amount of expenditures, also, in every department of government is unnecessarily high, and appropriations have constantly been made which could have been dispensed with. The amount of salaries, if paid in good money, ought to be reduced. Many offices on the canal and railroad ought to be abolished. A greater amount of public printing and binding, than was absolutely necessary, has been ordered, and a higher price has been paid for the same than will be justified by the present worth and scarcity of money. Special appropriations have been made, for the last two years, which need not occur again in the next—for the State House, for furniture, for a library, for publishing reports, for rents, for portraits of Washington and Lafayette, for witnesses, contested elections, clerk hire, paper, taking the census, presidential election, and to various individuals amounting to about \$51,000. These various reformations ought to reduce the expenditures for the next two years, about \$80,000.

The use of the State Bank, for fiscal purposes, by creating a necessity for paying interest on Auditor's warrants, has cost the State since 1837 about \$50,000, and we are now paying that institution, for acting as the treasury of the State, and for the privilege of using its depreciated paper, a sum varying between five and ten thousand dollars annually. Allow me respectfully to suggest that the desperate condition of the State, and the universal voice of our constituents, imperatively demand a reformation in all these particulars, and the practice of the strictest economy.

The state of the banks and of the currency will claim a large portion of your attention. These institutions have been allowed from time to time to suspend specie payments for most of the time since the summer of 1837. They have both become insolvent since the last session of the General Assembly, although no specie was demanded of them. All confidence in them has ceased, their notes have been greatly depreciated; and although the banks of the west and south-west have generally resumed, no day has yet been appointed for a resumption in this State. We have suffered all the evils of a depreciated paper circulation; the first of which is a great and sudden scarcity of money. The specie, which ought to be in circulation, is locked up in the banks; a large amount of the depreciated paper has been purchased up and held on speculation, and the

residue, has just been sufficient to keep money of a better character from coming amongst us. Consequently we have been left without money; property has fallen unusually low in price, and the products of the farmer have been almost unsaleable. The question now is, whether bank suspension with all its attendant evils shall be further tolerated and permanently engrafted on our institutions as an article of settled policy. It is continually asked in the community, what will be done by the General Assembly to make our currency better? The answer is obvious; compel the banks to resume specie payments. If they cannot resume, no measure short of legislating money into their vaults, will enhance the value of their paper.

I, therefore, recommend to the General Assembly to order a resumption of specie payments at an early day, and if the banks cannot comply, to provide for winding them up with the least possible delay and withdrawing their notes from circulation.

I am not prepared with information to state whether they can or cannot maintain a resumption; I will, however, venture the opinion, that neither of them will be in a condition to resume, unless their specie on hand should be nearly equal to their immediate liabilities. If they had been mere neighborhood banks, with a circulation confined to one or two counties, they might, by honesty and correct dealing, soon regain the public confidence, but these have been great and imposing institutions, with a circulation of \$4,500,000, scattered over the whole west and south. And it seems to me difficult to regain a confidence which has been lost in so great a district of country. It would be proper, at all events, for the General Assembly to make the most thorough and impartial examination into the state of their business, and upon a full knowledge of all facts, provide such a remedy as will relieve the country from the curse and blight of broken banks and their depreciated paper.

A great deal has been said about certain charters granted to the people of Nauvoo. These charters are objectionable on many accounts, but particularly on account of the powers granted. The people of the State have become aroused on the subject, and anxiously desire that those charters should be modified so as to give the inhabitants of Nauvoo no greater privileges than those enjoyed by others of our fellow-citizens.

There are many other subjects of great interest, such as the encouragement of education and agriculture, a general revision of the laws, and the establishment of an effective militia system, which might be alluded to; but to do justice to them, would make this communication too voluminous for the occasion. I have confined myself to a few great subjects of pressing and immediate interest, such as the public debt, the canal, the banks, the revenues, and to such reformatations as are absolutely necessary to restore the public credit and happiness.

If a sound currency can be restored, if the arrangement can be made with the banks for a return of our bonds, if upon any plan the canal can be finished, so as by the tolls and property belonging thereto, the people can be relieved of the debt incurred for its construction, and if we can so dispose of the residue of State property as to liquidate a reasonable amount of the remaining debt, we will have accomplished that which is of the most vital interest at present.

In conclusion, I beg you to be assured of my thorough disposition to co-operate with you in all measures calculated to advance the public welfare.

THOMAS FORD.

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 8, 1842.

The Governor having concluded, retired, accompanied by the Lieutenant Governor, as did the Senate, preceded by their Speaker; when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dollins withdrew the second and third branches of the preamble offered by him on yesterday.

Mr. Dougherty moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "nine," "consisting of one from each judicial circuit;" which was agreed to.

The question was then taken upon the indefinite postponement of the preamble; which was agreed to.

The question arising on the indefinite postponement of the resolution.

Mr. Arnold moved the following amendment to the resolution, viz:

"*Provided*, That nothing shall be contained in such law, impairing the obligation of contracts, and which shall be drawn with perfect good faith and justice to both creditor and debtor."

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

To lay the above amendment on the table, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Arnold, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—76.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Blair, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Garrett, Glass, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Murphy, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, West, and Whitcomb—36.

Mr. Murphy moved an adjournment; which was not agreed to.

On the question—"Shall the resolution be indefinitely postponed?" it was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the passage of the resolution, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClermand and Dollins, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Lee, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernard, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manniag, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitecomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—107.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Bryant, Collins, Koerner, Murphy, and Penn—6.

Ordered, That Messrs. Dollins, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Howard, Weatherford, Sharp, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Hannaford, and Court-right be said committee.

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dubois moved that the address of Governor Ford be laid on the table, and that one thousand copies of the same be printed.

Mr. McClermand moved five thousand copies.

Mr. Arnold moved eight thousand copies.

Mr. Dollins moved six thousand copies.

Mr. Horney moved ten thousand copies.

The vote being taken on the printing of ten thousand copies, it was not agreed to.

The question being taken on the printing of eight thousand copies, it was not agreed to.

The question was then taken on Mr. Dollins motion for printing six thousand copies; which was agreed to.

Mr. Hanson moved the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, as representatives of the people of the State of Illinois, we are advised of the suffering and depressed condition of our country and its citizens, and that the same has been greatly aggravated by party conten-

tions and differences, growing out of legislative matters wholly unconnected with national politics: *And whereas*, we are admonished that such differences and debates are wholly uncalled for by the great majority of the people of this State, and may have a tendency to retard the passage of such laws for the relief of our State and constituents which is so confidently expected; therefore,

Resolved, In view of the prosperity and relief of the State, and our fellow citizens generally; it becomes our duty as faithful representatives to cultivate a spirit of amity, union, harmony and good feeling toward each other, and to suppress every measure and movement that may have a tendency to the reverse.

Resolved, also, That to accomplish so desirable an object, and allay as much as possible all party feeling, the election of a United States Senator be brought on at the earliest possible period, and that the claims of the several candidates or aspirants be brought fairly and equally before all the members of the Legislature, without any foreknowledge or predetermination of either political party; which were,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a "Bill for an act for the permanent location of the county seat of Lake county;" which was read a first time, and the rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act in relation to garnishees,'" approved February 12, 1839; which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Hick, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to the State Bank of Illinois, and Bank of Illinois;" which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

And the rule being dispensed with, it was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dougherty offered for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the two Houses of the General Assembly will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Tuesday, the 13th instant, at 2 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing a Senator to the Congress of the United States of America, to serve six years from the 4th day of March next; also, at the same time, an Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, and Public Printer.

Mr. Hicks moved that the whole subject be laid on the table; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The bill for "An act relative to judgments and executions, was taken up, and the rule being dispensed with, was read a second time by the title, and

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Referred to the same select committee to which was this day referred a certain resolution introduced into this House by Mr. Dollins.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved for adoption the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, the corporation of the city of Nauvoo, in Hancock county, is contrary to the best interest of the people of the State of Illinois: *And whereas*, by the second section of said act incorporating said city, there is a clause enabling said incorporation, without limiting the boundary, to extend its powers without limit, as fast as said incorporation may be enabled to purchase tracts of land adjoining said city.

Resolved, therefore, That the good of the people of the State require a repeal of the law incorporating said city of Nauvoo, and the public voice demands it.

Resolved, therefore, That said incorporation should be immediately repealed.

Mr. Hicks moved that the city charter of the city of Springfield be included.

Mr. McClernand then moved to amend the amendment, by adding the following to the preamble, viz:

"And whereas, the acts incorporating the cities of Springfield and Quincy are equally obnoxious, on account of the powers conferred, as the aforesaid act incorporating the city of Nauvoo."

And further, to amend by adding the following resolution:

"Resolved, That the acts incorporating the said cities of Springfield and Quincy, ought also to be repealed;" which

Mr. Hicks accepted as a modification of his own amendment.

Mr. Owen moved an amendment; when,

Mr. Ames moved the following, viz:

And all city charters in this State, except those that have been incorporated under the general corporation act; which

Mr. Owen accepted as a modification of his amendment; when,

Mr. Jonas moved to strike out all of the original motion after the word "Resolved," and all the amendments thereof, by inserting the following, viz:

"That the committee on the Judiciary, when appointed, be instructed to examine the various city charters granted by previous Legislatures of this State, and report, if deemed expedient, a bill embracing such amendments to said charters as may be deemed by said committee necessary and proper;" when,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

HENRY MADDEN, one of the members from the counties of Boone, De Kalb, Kane, McHenry and Kendall, and HUBBARD GRAVES, the member from the counties of Carroll and Stephenson, appeared, were qualified by D. B. Campbell, Esq., Mayor of the city of Springfield, and took their seats.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the late Governor Carlin, the Auditor and Treasurer of State, in relation to a proclamation issued by those officers prohibiting the collection of taxes and the school fund in the paper of the State Bank of Illinois, and the Bank of Illinois; which was read; when,

Mr. Dollins moved that the communication be laid on the table, and 2,000 copies printed.

Mr. Koerner moved 5,000 copies.

Mr. Arnold moved 1,000 copies.

Mr. Ames moved 3,000 copies.

Mr. Ficklin moved 4,000 copies, and demanded a division of the question.

The communication was laid on the table.

The vote being taken on printing 5,000 copies, it was not agreed to.

The vote then being taken on printing 4,000 copies, it was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a report from the State Treasurer; when,

Mr. McClernand moved to dispense with the reading of said report, and that it be laid on the table and printed for the use of the House; which was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a report from the Auditor of State.

Mr. Dubois moved that the reading of the same be dispensed with, that it be laid on the table and printed for the use of the House; which was agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Secretary of State, in answer to a call of the House, requiring information on the subject of the digest of the statute laws of the State; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Jonas withdrew his amendment to the Nauvoo city charter resolution, offered by Mr. Davis of Bond, and moved that the whole subject be referred to the committee on Incorporations, with the following instructions, viz:

"To examine the various city charters granted by previous Legislatures of this State, and report, if deemed expedient, a bill embracing provisions for repeal, or such amendments to said charters as may be deemed by said committee necessary and proper;" which was agreed to.

The resolution from the Senate, providing for the appointment of a joint select committee, to enquire into the expediency of reducing the fees of officers, coming up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

It was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

The amendment of the Senate to the joint resolution in relation to the fine imposed upon General Jackson by Judge Hall in 1815, was concurred in.

Mr. Murphy moved the adoption of the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, the State of Illinois, in consequence with many of her sister States in this Union, is now laboring under financial embarrassments, the necessary result of the unwise and injudicious policy adopted by the Legislature and people of former periods: *And whereas*, under this policy, public works were commenced and prosecuted, and vast and extravagant schemes of internal improvements adopted utterly disproportioned to our resources and revenue:

And whereas, these measures had their origin in the delusions incident to one of those periodical excitements, which in Europe as well as in this

country, have led states and individuals into inordinate speculations uniformly terminating in bankruptcy and ruin:

And whereas, under the influence of this delusion, former Legislatures have contracted liabilities in times of great apparent prosperity, which we are now, in a period of depression and financial adversity, utterly unable to liquidate:

And whereas, doubts are said to exist in the minds of our public creditors, as to the intention of the people of this State respecting the legal and moral obligations of fulfilling these contracts and paying these debts:

And whereas, it is as essential to the well being of nations as it is of individuals, to maintain an unblemished reputation, and sustain their dignity and honor. And that every individual in the nation is interested in preserving that honour, not only from disgrace, but even from suspicion:

And whereas, this Legislature has been recently elected by the people; is imbued with their opinions and feelings, and is fully cognizant of their intentions respecting this subject. They deem it due to themselves, to the people they represent, to the public creditors, and to their hitherto unsullied fame in the eyes of the world, to promulgate the following resolutions embracing the sentiments of the people of the State of Illinois:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That we fully recognize the legal and moral obligation of discharging with punctuality every debt contracted by any authorized agent or agents of this State, for a good and valuable consideration, and that the revenues and resources of the State shall be appropriated for that purpose as soon as they can be made available, without impoverishing and depressing the people.

Resolved, That our failure hitherto to meet our obligations, has not arisen from any intention on the part of the Legislature, or any respectable portion of the people, to repudiate or evade these obligations, and we utterly detest and abhor the repudiation of just debts, by States or individuals, as immoral, dishonorable, and destructive of private and public character.

Resolved, That such failure is wholly attributable to causes involving the commercial nations of Europe as well as this country, over which we had but limited control; that seduced by an inflated currency, and the consequent apparent prosperity, we contracted these debts, vainly hoping that a corresponding state of prosperity would enable us to develop our rich resources, and make them available to meet our obligations; that a rapid and almost unprecedented contraction and depreciation of the currency caused a corresponding depreciation in the value of property, crippled our resources, dried up the sources of revenue, and produced universal embarrassment and pressure: which can only be removed by the slow operations of active and patient industry.

Resolved, That this inflation of the currency had its origin and aliment in the over action of the "credit system," both in England and this country; that each nation contributed to swell the tide of excitement and speculation, which a few years ago rolled over both nations, and to which each in its turn became a victim; that its consequences were manifested in England by embarrassment and distress, and multitudes of failures and bankruptcies in 1839; and that the manifestation of such effects from the operation of similar causes in so rich and powerful a country should be a

sufficient apology for the inability of a people, circumstanced as we are, to meet our obligations without a suspicion of base or dishonorable motives.

Resolved, That we do not regard a failure on the part of individuals or nations to pay their debts as base or dishonorable when such failure proceeds from inability and inevitable circumstances; that history furnishes examples of other nations more high on the roll of fame, where circumstances not more imperious than ours, such as the results of the South sea speculation in England, and the Mississippi bubble of France, compelled a sacrifice of public and private obligations, without impairing the character and honor of those nations.

Resolved, That the actual debt of Illinois, for which no means are appropriated, is insignificant when compared with our great natural resources; that our population in a few years, according to the past ratio of augmentation, will amount to one million of people, and that our wealth and resources will be increased in a greater ratio; that the surplus production of our rich soil, even with our present population, would be amply sufficient to enable us to meet all our liabilities, could they be converted into money at reasonable prices; and that we must only await with patience, that period which cannot be remote when a sufficient amount of a sound currency will be in circulation to secure to our agricultural population a fair price for their productions, and enable them to pay all necessary taxes to meet the wants of the government at home, and discharge with integrity all our obligations to our friends abroad; which,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Were laid on the table for the present, and

Ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Logan moved for adoption the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That His Excellency the Governor, be authorized and requested to receive from the Treasury of the United States, the amount due this State, under the act of Congress, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," approved September 4, 1841, and that the same, when received, shall not be paid into the Treasury, or appropriated to the current expenses of the State, but shall be applied to the extinguishment of the public debt, or to the completion of the canal, or be added to the school fund, as the Legislature may hereafter direct.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the figures "1841."

Mr. Madden moved to lay the whole subject on the table, which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Browning.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Cloud, Compton, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Flanders, Graves, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, McClelland, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Penn, Simms, Starne, Thompson, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—27.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown

of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—86.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Murphy, to strike out all after the figures "1841,"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Brinkley, Bryant, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Wilson—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Blake-man, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vandever, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—51.

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the resolution offered by Mr. Logan, by striking out all after the words "United States," and inserting the following:

"The amount of money to which the State of Illinois is entitled by the first section of an act of Congress, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the public lands and to grant pre-emption rights," and which, according to the statement of the Commissioners of the General Land Office, transmitted to the executive office of this State, amounts to the sum of \$29,635 02, and that the Governor do not receive the sum of \$16,654 33, arising from the distribution of the said proceeds, provided for in the second section of said act; which was,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Browning moved for adoption the following amendment:

"*Provided*, that said money, when received, shall not be appropriated to the payment of the expenses of the General Assembly, but shall be applied, in the discretion of the Legislature, to the reduction of the public debt;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning, and Logan, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Green of Greene, Haley, Harper, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Whitcomb, and Yates—40.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the resolution as follows:

"*Provided*, that in receiving her distributive share of the sales of the public lands, in conformity of the act of Congress aforesaid, this Legislature shall not be considered as approving of the principle or policy of that act."

Mr. Ames moved to amend the amendment of Mr. Murphy by striking out all after the word "*provided*" and inserting, "that when said money shall be received, it shall be used for the purpose of paying the interest on the school, college, and seminary fund, and for no other purpose."

Mr. Murphy moved that the proposed amendment to the amendment be laid on the table; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The whole subject was referred to the committee on Finance, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever,

West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Harper, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, McBride, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Wilson, and Yates—43.

When,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following standing committees, viz:

On the Judiciary—Messrs. Ficklin, Wheat, Logan, Koerner, Browning, Arnold, Hicks, Manning, and Yates.

On Finance—Messrs. McClernand, Arnold, Cushman, Dougherty, Koerner, Logan, Sharp, Harper, and Wheat.

On Elections—Messrs. Madden, Bradley, Miller, Stockton, Cochran, Menard, and Hicks.

On the Militia—Messrs. Stewart, Busey, Graves, Davis of Williamson, Mitchell, Howard, and Ervin.

On Internal Improvement—Messrs. Hicks, Hinton, Blakeman, Norris, Pickering, Bishop, and Kuykendall.

On Education—Messrs. Hannaford, Browning, Bibbens, Brown of Pike, Hatch, Brinkley, Cloud, Fowler, and Bailhache.

On Salines—Messrs. Flanders, Compton, Starne, West, Vandever, Shirley, and McBride.

On Public Accounts and Expenditures—Messrs. Cloud, Collins, Andrus, Bell, Nesbit, Lockard, Anderson, Dollins, and Langworthy.

On the Penitentiary—Messrs. Aldrich, Vance, Hickman, Gobble, White, Scott, and Penn.

On Canal and Canal Lands—Messrs. Gregg, Woodworth, Murphy, Stewart, Whitcomb, Weatherford, Kendall, Burklow, and Edwards.

On Manufactures and Agriculture—Messrs. Brown of Sangamon, Danner, Adams, Ames, Epler, Tackerberry, Bone, Thompson, and Simms.

On Claims—Messrs. Green of Clay, McDonald of Calhoun, Dubois, Courtright, Garrett, McMillan, and McDonald of Jo Daviess.

On Public Buildings and Grounds—Messrs. Owen, Horney, Hickman, Green of Greene, Ewing, Hunsaker, Spicer, Pratt, and Scott.

On State Roads—Messrs. Blair, Dubois, Bryant, Douglas, Hanson, Glass, Vinyard, Jackson of Lee, and Loy.

On Counties—Messrs. Manning, Jackson of McHenry, Hambaugh, Smith of Crawford, Turner, Haley, Lawler, Whitten, and Caldwell.

On Banks and Corporations—Messrs. Murphy, Anderson, McClernand,

Pratt, Smith of Hancock, Marshall, Jonas, Davis of Bond, and Jackson of McHenry.

On Engrossed Bills—Messrs. Bryant, Hanson, Dennis, Starr, Dickin-son, and Wilson.

Mr. Weatherford presented the petition of Austin Couch praying a divorce; which was read,

Mr. Weatherford moved that it be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved that the consideration of the petition be indefinitely postponed; which was agreed to.

Mr. Turner moved the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait on the Governor and invite him to take a seat within the bar of this House, during the present session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the word "*Resolved*," and insert the following, to wit:

"That the Governor, Ex-Governor, Judge of the Federal Court, Judges of the Supreme Court, Ex-Senators of the United States, and Ex-Speakers of this House, be invited to take seats within the bar of this House, during the present session;" which was agreed to,

When the resolution, as amended, was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the committee on Finance be, and are hereby instructed to enquire into the expediency of reducing the salaries and pay of all officers and other persons receiving compensation from the State Treasury, members of the Legislature, inclusive; that they inquire into the expediency of reducing the taxes hereafter levied, to one half of the present assessment; that they inquire into the expediency of abolishing the offices of assessor and collector; the sheriff and treasurer of the respective counties to discharge the duties now performed by them, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Bone moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That no members of this House, being absent without leave, shall draw any pay for the time of such absence, except in cases of inability; which was,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Lockard moved the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the committee on Education be instructed to enquire into the expediency of distributing the school fund among the several counties of this State, according to the number of white inhabitants in each county, under the age of twenty years, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "expediency," the following, to wit:

"Of borrowing, on our bonds, a sum of money equal to the amount due the school, college, and seminary fund, for the purpose of"

Mr. Logan moved to lay the resolution and proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to.

Mr. Starr moved the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on the Militia be instructed to inquire

into the expediency of repealing all laws organizing the militia of the State, and they report by bill or otherwise; which was,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Sharp moved the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of calling into the State Treasury, at regular annual intervals, the entire school fund, arising from the sale of school lands, the State paying to each township their distributive share of the interest for the use of said funds.

The consideration of which was postponed,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

To the fourth of July next.

Mr. McClermand moved the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, It is deemed desirable to dissolve the connection now existing between the State and the Bank of the State of Illinois and the Bank of Illinois:

And whereas, It is believed that such dissolution will prove equally advantageous, both to the State and said banks; therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That His Excellency Governor Ford, assisted by the Auditor of Public Accounts and the Fund Commissioner, be authorized and requested forthwith to enter into negotiation with said banks, or their authorized agents, for the purpose of ascertaining upon what terms an amicable dissolution can be effected, and for the purpose of obtaining such other information as may be useful, in relation to this subject.

Mr. Browning moved the following amendment, to wit:

"And that those officers be requested to communicate to this House, at their earliest convenience, the result of their correspondence with said banks, respectively;" which

Mr. McClermand accepted as a modification of his resolution; when, the resolution as amended was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the following resolutions, to wit:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That a committee of three on the part of the Senate, and five on the part of the House of Representatives, be appointed to revise the laws of this State, with power to appoint not exceeding two clerks; the revision to embrace all laws of a general nature, under appropriate heads; all those relating to courts of justice, to schools, to attachments, to judgments and executions, to justices of the peace and constables, to sheriffs and coroners, to last wills and testaments, and the administration of real estates, to the militia, to practice in courts of law and in chancery, to evidence, to public roads and the criminal code, in one volume, with copious marginal notes and index; and all laws of a local and private nature, including acts of incorporation, in a separate volume, with marginal notes and index; and to report at some day, as early as practicable, during the present session.

Resolved further, That the same committee report such amendments to

the several laws of a public nature, included under the foregoing heads, as they in their judgments may deem necessary. And have appointed Messrs. Parrish, Ralston, and Baker, the committee on their part.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also passed a bill of the following title, viz:

"An act concerning the State Library."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House.

Mr. Vandever moved the adoption of the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, the embarrassed condition of the finances of this State imperatively demand the husbanding all her resources of revenue, and the curtailment of every useless and unnecessary expenditure:

And whereas, the members of the present General Assembly, have not accepted their offices with a view of promoting their own personal and pecuniary interest, but to serve their common country; therefore,

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the members of this General Assembly will not allow themselves or receive more than two dollars per day for their services as members as aforesaid.

Mr. Spicer moved to amend the resolution by striking out "two dollars" and inserting "one dollar;" when,

The resolution and proposed amendment were laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Dollins, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pratt, Simms, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vandever, Wheat, White, and Yates—43.

When,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dubois, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act concerning wills and testaments;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion, the rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Norris, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to limit the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Canady,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hicks, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to prohibit the sale of property for the collection of debts for ninety days from the passage of the same;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to transfer grocery and tavern licenses after they have been obtained from the county commissioners' courts;" which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Kendall, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act concerning the records of Jersey county;" which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Spicer, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to legalize the assessment of taxes in the county of Mercer, for the year 1842;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to abolish capital punishments;" which was read a first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred, on motion, to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Kuykendall, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to alter the provisions of 'an act making provisions for organization and maintaining common schools;' " approved February 26, 1841, which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Arnold, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorise the appointment of commissioners to take the acknowledgment of deeds, instruments of writings under seal, and depositions;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Vandever, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act regulating the sale of property," approved February 27, 1841; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and was,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the same select committee of nine to which had been referred resolutions and a bill of similar import.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the State Bank of Illinois, as follows, to wit:

STATE BANK OF ILLINOIS,
December 10, 1842.

To the Honorable

the General Assembly of Illinois:

In compliance with one of the provisions of the twelfth section of the act to increase the capital stock of certain banks, the directors of the State Bank of Illinois, have the honor to submit to the General Assembly the accompanying statement of the condition of the bank and its branches, on the first day of the present month.

THOMAS MATHER, *President.*

Which, together with the accompanying report, being read, were,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Laid on the table, and printed for the use of the House.

Engrossed bill for "An act for the permanent location of the county seat of Lake county," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title of the bill be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Auditor of State, in answer to an inquiry for information in relation to what counties have paid their State taxes for the year 1842, and in what funds they have paid the same; which was,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Public Printer, in compliance with the tenth section of the act, passed February 23, 1841, "supplemental to an act, defining the duties of Public Printer, and fixing the time and manner of performing the same;" which, being partly read, the further reading,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Was dispensed with, and the communication referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Ervin, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve the incorporation; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Manning, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend the act in relation to justices of the peace and constables;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The engrossed bill for "An act in relation to the State Bank of Illinois and Bank of Illinois," was read the third time, when

Mr. Logan moved that the bill be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the bill by adding the following proviso as a rider.

"*Provided*, That this act shall not be construed to apply to any assignment or assignments heretofore made by either of said banks;" which,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Was laid on the table.

The bill was then passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The rules of the House being dispensed with,

A bill for "An act to amend 'an act in relation to garnishees,'" approved February 12, 1839, was read a second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Yates,

Resolved, That the Hall of the House of Representatives be tendered to the use of the Washingtonian Temperance Society on Tuesday evening next.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the resolution communicated to them on to day, relative to a negotiation by the Governor, Auditor, and Fund Commissioner, with the State Bank of Illinois and Bank of Illinois, with the following amendment: strike out "this" and insert "each" in lieu thereof.

In which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also adopted the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That a joint select committee of one from each judicial district on the part of the Senate, and two from each judicial district on the part of the House of Representatives, be appointed to district the State into seven Congressional districts, and that they report by bill. And have appointed Messrs. Cavarly, Evans, Parrish, Davidson, Davis, Menard, Hoard, Culom and Ruggles, the committee on their part.

In the adoption of which resolution, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when he retired.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The above amendment to the resolution of the House, and the above resolution were concurred in, and the following gentlemen were appointed on the part of the House, to wit:

Messrs. Manning, McClernand, Buscy, Smith of Crawford, Horney, Dougherty, Glass, Whitten, Cloud, Vinyard, Spicer, Gregg, Jackson of Whiteside, Hannaford, Scott, Madden, Stewart, and Blakeman.

The Senate's resolution recommending the appointment of a joint select committee, to revise the statutes of the State, was taken up, read, and

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate's bill for "An act concerning the State Library," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to a third reading; when

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Pratt presented the petition of sundry citizens, praying a revision of the militia laws of this State; when,

On motion,

The reading of said petition was dispensed with and it was referred to the committee on the Militia.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of sundry citizens of the city of Chicago, praying for a charter for forming a Mechanics' Institute; when said petition was, without reading, referred to the committee on Corporations.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of sundry citizens of the city of Chicago, praying the vacation of a part of the city charter therein named; which, without reading, was,

On motion,

Referred to the committee on Corporations.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

Resolved, That the committee on the Penitentiary be instructed to inquire into the mode and manner of the last letting of the Penitentiary of this State: whether the inspectors had any authority, by law, to lease the same at all: whether the bids in, and especially the one accepted by the inspectors, was not an unfair and unusual one, and a fraud upon other bidders: whether said Penitentiary has not been leased greatly under its intrinsic value: also, that said committee report to this House any information in their possession, or which may be brought to their knowledge, as to what sum can be obtained per annum for said Penitentiary, and the use or uses to which the persons making any offer, intend applying it: and that they be permitted to send for persons and papers, so far as the investigation of the first branch of this resolution is concerned; and that said committee report to this House at their earliest convenience: and that

they make the further inquiry into the condition of the said Penitentiary; whether the convicts are treated as the law directs, &c.

Mr. Horney moved the adoption of the following preambles and resolutions, to wit:

Whereas, There are a number of townships in this State that have not enumerated all the white children in their districts, so as to enable them lawfully to demand their share of the township, and of the school, college, and seminary funds; therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on Education inquire into the expediency of extending the time of such enumeration so as to effect this object.

And whereas, in some of the counties of this State, the bond of \$12,000 required of the school commissioners, so far exceeds the amount of funds that is likely at any one time to come into their hands, that it is difficult to get competent persons to serve as such; therefore,

Resolved, That the county commissioners' court may use discretionary power as to the amount, not less than \$4,000.

And whereas, the 79th section of an act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools, contains matter the very opposite of section 96 in said act; therefore,

Resolved, That said committee enquire into the expediency of repealing so much of said 79th section as conflicts with said 96th section, and report by bill or otherwise; which were agreed to.

Mr. Howard moved the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That both Houses will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Saturday the 17th inst., and proceed to elect a United States Senator, Auditor, Treasurer, Public Printer, and all other officers to be elected at the present session; when

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the resolution on the table; which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Nesbit and Murphy, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Busey, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dollins, Dougherty, Ewing, Flanders, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, Wilson, and Woodworth—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—65.

Mr. Weatherford moved to strike out all after the words "United States Senator;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Cloud moved to insert "two o'clock, P. M." after the word "inst.," which was agreed to.

The question recurring on the resolution as amended, it was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That we entertain a high opinion of the integrity, honesty, and capability with which His Excellency Thomas Carlin discharged the duties of his office, while acting as Governor of this State, and that the uniform desire manifested by him to promote the public good, entitles him to the appellation of a patriot and honest man.

Resolved, That in the general course of the administration of the State Government by Thomas Carlin, late Governor of the State, we recognize the principles of genuine democracy, such as are entitled to general approbation.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Resolved, That the President of the State Bank be requested to inform this House, whether the State bonds, amounting to \$1,686,000, now in the possession of said bank, be the bonds originally subscribed by the State as their stock in said institution, or whether said bonds have been sold, or any portion of them, and again purchased by the bank, and, also, that he be requested to furnish this House with the numbers, dates, and times payable, and other distinctive marks of each and every parcel of these bonds.

And that such information be communicated to this House at the earliest period possible.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the financial concerns of the State, be referred to the committee on Finance; so much as relates to canals, to the committee on Canals and Canal Lands; so much as relates to banks and corporations, to the committee on Banks and Corporations; and that so much as relates to internal improvements, be referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Starne moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Roads, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the 27th section of an act, entitled "An act concerning public roads," approved March 1st, 1841, so as to allow supervisors a reasonable compensation for their services.

Mr. Sharp moved to amend the resolution by adding the following, to wit:

Resolved, That the committee on Roads be further instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the road law, as to make supervisors elective by the people in each respective road district; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dougherty moved to lay the resolution on the table, which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Starne and Turner, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Scott, Simms, Spicer, Stockton, Vance, Vandever, and Vinyard—40.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Busey, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Mr. Kendall moved to amend the resolution by adding the following, viz:

“So as to allow the supervisors a reasonable compensation for each day they may be engaged, over and above the number of days imposed on road laborers;” which was agreed to.

Mr. Nesbit moved the following amendment:

“And that the said committee be further instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the 17th section of said law, so as to make written or printed advertisements, by the supervisors, posted at four or more of the most public places in the district, sufficient notice of the time and place of working on roads;” which was not agreed to.

The resolution as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Resolved, That the standing committee of the House, on the Militia, be instructed to carefully investigate the militia laws of this State, reporting thereon such amendments to the same as they deem necessary to insure a better organization and discipline in the military affairs of this State; and that they report by bill or otherwise, as early as practicable.

On motion of Mr. Ervin,

Resolved, That the committee on Roads, be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making applicants for the establishment or re-location of roads pay all the expenses of reviewing and surveying the same.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House of Representatives in the adoption of the resolution fixing upon Saturday, the 17th instant, at two o'clock, P. M., as the time the two Houses would meet together, for the purpose of electing a United States Senator.

Mr. Yates moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, the State of Illinois is laboring under great pecuniary depression and embarrassment, burdened with a debt of many millions of dollars; *and whereas*, the revenue of the State derived from taxes is not sufficient to defray the ordinary expenses of the government, and nothing can be expected from this source to pay either the principal or interest on this debt, or any part thereof: *and whereas*, emigration to our State has almost entirely ceased, and the credit of our State has materially suffered, not only in our sister States, but in foreign countries, in consequence of our failure heretofore, and our supposed inability for years to come, to pay said debt or the interest thereon accruing:

And whereas, our pride, our interest and our duty as a State, all demand that we should manifest, not only a willingness to discharge all our State liabilities which have been contracted in good faith and for a valuable consideration, but that we, also, should adopt some practicable plan, by which to bring the available resources of the State into requisition, for the purpose of discharging in part, or in whole, said debt and interest; now, therefore, to this end

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the State, at the earliest practicable period, offer to her creditors, at fair and reasonable prices, payable in our State liabilities, the forty-two thousand acres of land entered under the internal improvement system, the two hundred and ten thousand acres of land donated by the General Government to the State, under an act of Congress entitled "An act to distribute the proceeds of the sales of public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," and all the railroads, finished and unfinished, and all the property of the State pertaining to the railroad system.

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the resolution by adding the following, viz:

"And that the committee, on Internal Improvements of the Senate and House of Representatives, acting in conjunction with each other, report a bill embracing the object pointed out in the above preamble and resolution;" which

Mr. Yates accepted as a modification of his resolution.

The preamble and resolution, as modified, were then,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for an act to legalize certain acts of the county commissioners' court of Lake county; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for an act to legalize the sales of county property; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Horney, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of Jonathan D. Manlove;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, it was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal the third section of 'An act to provide for the payment of interest on the public debt,' " approved February 27, 1841; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to prevent fraudulent conveyances of property; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Pratt, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to official bonds;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The rule being dispensed with,

Mr. Hicks moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, there are citizens from various sections of this State, who manifest a desire to have the privilege of holding lobby meetings in the Hall of the House of Representatives, when the same is not occupied for legislative purposes; therefore,

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be given to those who may wish to occupy it for lobby purposes; *Provided*, they do not injure the Hall or its furniture, and keep good order in the same; which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the sale of property connected with the internal improvement system, and to provide for the payment of the public debt;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Ordered to be laid on the table and printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Owen, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to regulate the interest on money;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bradley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act

entitled 'An act to provide for leasing the Saline reserve lands in Jackson county, and for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named;' " which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on Salines.

The bill for "An act concerning the State Library," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, that the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A bill for "An act to legalize the assessment of taxes in the county of Mercer, for the year 1842," was read a second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

A bill for "An act to transfer tavern and grocery licenses, after they have been obtained from the county commissioners' court," was read a second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; when,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Owen presented the petition of sundry citizens of Hancock county, relating to the school fund; which was, without reading,

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Norris presented the petition of sundry citizens of Vermilion county, praying the organization of a school district in said county, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Ervin presented the petition of sundry citizens of McDonough county, praying relief for Francis and Wesley Freeland; which was read and

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the petition of sundry citizens of the town of Pekin, praying that all lands within the corporation limits of said town, not laid out in town lots, be exempt from taxation for incorporation purposes; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Corporations.

Mr. Hanson presented a memorial, addressed to the Congress of the United States, representing that the lands owned by the United States, within the territory of this State, amounting to nearly twenty millions of acres; consist principally of large and extensive prairies, destitute to a great extent of timber, and almost entirely uninhabited and uncultivated, and which, under existing circumstances, will remain in the same situation for many years to come. And for the purpose of encouraging the sale

and settlement of these prairie lands, praying Congress to grant to every person, being the head of a family, a pre-emption right to two hundred and forty acres, more or less, accompanied by a donation of eighty acres, more or less. The pre-emption right to extend fifteen years from the time proof of settlement of the same it made; which, being read, was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Vance,

Resolved, That the committee on Elections be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the election law, as hereafter to allow no person to vote out of the precinct in which he resides.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Resolved, That the committee on Elections be instructed to inquire into the expediency of passing a law, making the office of county assessors, county collectors and road supervisors elective by the people, and report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Davis of Bond, moved the adoption of the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, the estimate of the State debt, as stated by the Governor of this State, amounts to about fifteen million of dollars: *And whereas*, it is of vital importance to the people of this State, to know upon what condition said bonds were sold, and said indebtedness contracted; what the consideration in the various contracts has been; whether in some instances the sale of said bonds has not been made without a bona fide consideration; therefore,

Resolved by the House, the Senate concurring herein, That a committee of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to examine and ascertain what the condition was upon which said bonds were sold, and the various contracts entered into; whether in some instances, the sales were not wholly illegal, and in others without a good consideration. And in order that said committee may be enabled to get at every fact in the case, they are hereby empowered to call for persons and papers, and enter into a full investigation of the whole matter. And that they report to this House at their earliest convenience; and they are hereby requested to make a statistical account of all the various debts and sales of bonds, pointing out those that have been sold legally, and those that have, if any, been sold illegally; also, as regards the consideration for which any of said bonds have been sold; when,

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

The above preamble and resolution were laid on the table for the present.

On motion of Mr. Vandever,

Resolved, That the Governor cause to be laid before this House, at as early a day as practicable, all the information in his possession, and that he can obtain from the officers of this State, in relation to the amount and varieties of property, real, personal and mixed, owned by the State, embracing the property, bought and owned in connection with the system of internal improvements, owned or otherwise held on account of the canal, and all property owned or held by donation of the General Government.

On motion of Mr. Vance,

Resolved, That the committee on the Militia be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the militia laws, as to compel all officers and privates to perform militia duty.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act, authorising a re-valuation of a school section in Lake county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, it was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Thompson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the extension of the time for the collectors of taxes of the different counties of this State;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Norris, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act organising a school district in Vermilion county, and authorising the sale of school lands therein;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Hicks, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for collecting revenue, according to actual valuation, and the prohibition of licenses in certain cases;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements; when

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the adoption of a resolution having for its object the appointment of a joint select committee to draft a memorial to Congress, praying an additional grant of land to aid in the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, as amended by them.

They amend as follows, after the word "subject" in the second line from the bottom of the resolution, insert the following:

"Also, a like memorial, praying for the alternate section of public lands lying contiguous to the line of the Central railroad, as now located from the south termination of the Illinois and Michigan canal, to the city of Cairo, at the mouth of the Ohio river, to be applied to the construction of the said railroad."

They have also appointed Messrs. Ryan and Dougherty to be the committee on their part.

In the adoption of which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Brown of Pike, offered the petition of sundry citizens, praying the vacation of the town plat of Reedfield, situated in said county; which was, without reading,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Kuykendall presented the petition of sundry citizens of Metropolis city, praying for the incorporation of said city; which was, without reading,

Referred to the committee on Corporations.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the petition of the Mechanics' Institute of the city of Chicago, reported a bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute of the city of Chicago; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Murphy, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of the city of Chicago, praying a repeal of a part of the charter of said city, reported a bill to amend the charter of the city of Chicago; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Cloud, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred a resolution on the subject of depriving members of pay when absent, unless from inability, reported the same back and asked to be discharged from its further consideration; which was agreed to, and the resolution,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Nesbit, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to whom was referred the communication from the Public Printer, reported a bill for "An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Hannaford, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a petition of the citizens of Hancock county, in relation to the school fund, reported against the prayer of said petition; which report was concurred in.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported bills of the following titles, as correctly engrossed, viz:

A bill for "An act concerning the records of Lake county;"

"An act to transfer grocery licenses, after they have been obtained from the county commissioner's court;"

A bill for "An act to legalise certain acts of the county commissioners' of Lake county," and

A bill for "An act for the relief of Jonathan D. Manlove."

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to limit the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Nesbit moved that the bill be re-committed to the same committee with the following instructions, viz:

"That the bill be perfected in detail, and embracing the principles of the one now under consideration;" when,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The whole subject was committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the special order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill to legalise the sales of county property, reported the bill back and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Ames moved that the bill and report be referred to a select committee of five; which was not agreed to, when

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading?" it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Yates, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'an act, concerning wills and testaments;'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when,

On the question—"Shall the bill be ordered to be engrossed for a third reading?" it was decided in the negative.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to prohibit the sale of property for the collection of debts for ninety days from the passage of the same, reported the same back to the House. and recommended its rejection; when,

Mr. Logan moved the following amendment, viz:

"*Provided*, That this act shall not apply to any case to which the valuation law may be applicable;" when,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The report and bill were referred to the select committee of nine to which heretofore were referred certain measures of relief.

Mr. Dollins, from the select committee of nine, to whom was referred certain resolutions and a bill relating to measures of relief, reported a bill for "An act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Aldrich, from the committee on the Penitentiary, to which was referred a bill to legalise the assessment of taxes in the county of Mercer, reported the same back with amendments.

Mr. Dollins moved to amend the bill by inserting the word "Franklin."

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, moved to amend the bill by inserting the word "Sangamon;" both of which amendments were agreed to; the bill as amended, was then

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The preamble and resolutions offered by Mr. Murphy against repudiating the State debts were taken up; when,

Mr. Jonas moved to strike out all after the word "whereas" and insert the following:

"The question of the repudiation of State debts has recently been entertained in different sections of the Union, and has elicited much discussion in the public journals: *And whereas*, by reason thereof, the credit of the States, even those in which the idea of the repudiation of debts has always been and still continues to be discountenanced, may suffer unjustly in the estimation of honest men, both at home and abroad, and more particularly in the estimation of the people of foreign nations, with which this country holds relations of amity and extensive commercial intercourse, whose continued confidence, it should be our pride, as it is our duty, as free and independent States to maintain; therefore,

"1st. *Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, the Senate concurring herein*, That it is the high and sacred duty of a sovereign State to observe the obligations of good faith in all her engagements and transactions, not only with her own citizens, but equally and alike with those of other States.

"2d. *Resolved*, That the desperate expedient of throwing off State obligations, under any circumstances whatever, and contracted under authority of law, is abhorrent both to the government and people of this State, and can never, directly or indirectly, receive the countenance of either; and that such conduct would be unworthy of the age in which we live, suitable only to the dark ages of barbarism, and a lasting reproach on our republican institutions.

"3d. *Resolved*, That the unfortunate pecuniary condition of this State is such, that at the present time we are compelled in sorrow to admit its inability to meet its obligations; but at the same time, as faithful representatives of the people, and in their behalf, we honestly and fearlessly declare, that as soon as practicable, under the present unfortunate circumstances, it will be the imperative duty, as well as we know it to be the inclination, of the people of this State, to provide for the payment of all public debts and liabilities, contracted under the authority of law.

"4th. *Resolved*, That copies of the foregoing preamble and resolutions, be transmitted by the Governor to the President of the United States, the Executive of the several States, and our Senators and Representatives in Congress."

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Further action on the above preamble and resolutions was suspended, in order to enable Mr. McClernand to introduce the following resolution from the committee on Finance, viz:

Resolved, That after to-day, and until otherwise ordered, this House will not sit but one session each day, which shall commence at 9 o'clock in the morning and end at 2 o'clock in the afternoon; which was read and agreed to.

The consideration of the aforesaid preamble and resolutions being resumed,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The whole subject was committed to a committee of the whole House,

and made the special order of the day for this evening at 2 o'clock.

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House two communications from the State Bank of Illinois, in answer to resolutions calling for information as to the number of State bonds held by the bank; which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

The Speaker laid before the House a report from the inspectors of the Penitentiary; which, being partly read,

Mr. Murphy moved that the further reading be dispensed with, and the report be referred to the committee on the Penitentiary; when,

On motion of Mr. McClermand,

It was laid upon the table, and

Ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole House; Mr. Dolins in the chair, on the preamble and resolutions offered by himself some days since against the repudiation of the State debts, together with the preamble and resolutions offered as an amendment by Mr. Jonas, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose and the Chairman reported that the committee of the whole House have had under consideration the foregoing preamble and resolutions, and amended the same, in which amendments they ask the concurrence of this House.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The report of the committee was amended by adding the following resolution.

Resolved, That one copy of the preamble and resolutions be transmitted by the Governor of this State, to the Governors of the several States of this Union, to be laid before the Legislatures of their respective States.

The amendment of the committee to the preamble was then agreed to.

Mr. Jonas demanded a division of the question of concurrence; when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

PETER GREEN, member from Clay county, presented his credentials, was qualified by D. B. Campbell, mayor of the city of Springfield, and took his seat.

Mr. Koerner presented the petition of the trustees of the Shilo [meeting house; which was read and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Whitcomb presented the petition of Henry Brown, praying compensation for services rendered under a temporary appointment, as State's Attorney of the seventh judicial circuit; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Bradley presented the petition of Hannah Norwood, praying for a divorce; which was read.

Mr. Bradley moved that the petition be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved its indefinite postponement; which was agreed to.

Mr. Anderson presented the petition of sundry citizens of Richland county, praying a vacation of the alleys in Elliott's, Reed's, and Lilley's addition to the town of Olney, in said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, reported back to the House the two communications of the State Bank of Illinois, which, on yesterday, was referred to said committee.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The communications were laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer;"

A bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute in the city of Chicago.

Mr. Manning moved the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives in Congress be requested, to use their influence and endeavors to obtain at as early a day as possible, the repeal of the existing bankrupt law of the United States.

Mr. Pickering moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "repeal" and inserting the word "amendment."

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the resolution by inserting the following after the word "repeal:" "or amendment, so as to include within its provisions, banks and incorporations, and to abolish cases of involuntary bankruptcy."

Mr. Dollins moved to lay the resolution and proposed amendments on the table; which was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their exertions for the repeal of the bankrupt law, at as early a day as possible.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to transmit the above resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

In the adoption of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Dollins moved that the above message be taken up; which was agreed to.

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the first resolution contained in the above message, by adding after the word "repeal" the following: "or amendment," so as to include within its provisions, banks and incorporations, and to abolish cases of involuntary bankruptcy.

Mr. Murphy moved that the proposed amendment be laid on the table; which was agreed to.

Mr. Ervin moved the following amendment, viz:

"To take effect from and after the fourth day of July, 1843, and not to effect applications previously made;" which,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Was laid on the table.

The resolution of the Senate was then concurred in, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and McClernand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—104.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Graves, Harper, Kendall, Langworthy, Menard, and Pickering—14.

The report of the committee of the whole House, on Mr. Murphy's preamble and resolutions, condemnatory of the repudiation of State debts, coming up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

It was referred to a select committee of three.

Ordered, That Messrs. Murphy, McClernand, and Jackson of McHenry be that committee.

Mr. Logan, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act organising the judiciary of the State of Illinois;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Green of Clay,

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Adams, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act relative to probate justices of the peace;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act to regulate proceedings by attachments before justices of the peace;'" approved February 27, 1837; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by the title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Sharp, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act, to authorise the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Lockard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act regulating the mode of commencing suits in the circuit court;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Browning moved to take up the bill for "An act for the sale of property connected with the internal improvement system, and for the payment of the public debt;" which was agreed to, and on his further motion, it was referred to a committee of the whole House, and made the special order of the day for Tuesday next.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State, in force February 26, 1841;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to a select committee of three.

Ordered, That Messrs. Murphy, Arnold and Hatch be said committee.

Mr. Hanson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to exempt from execution certain property therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hick, on leave, presented a bill for the relief of the widow and heirs of Tyler D. Hewitt, deceased, late commissioner of Saline lands; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on Salines.

Mr. Arnold moved to take up the message from the Senate, proposing an amendment to the resolution of the House, to appoint a joint select committee to draft a memorial to Congress, praying a grant of lands.

The question, "Will the House concur in the amendment of the Senate?" was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Nesbit, and Green of Greene, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bibbens, Bishop, Browning, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, White, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Turner, Vandeveer, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Yates—62.

Mr. Fowler offered for adoption the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, we, the people of the State of Illinois, are involved in an enormous public debt, over-reaching the state of our finances, and on which our available means are wholly inadequate to meet the interest as it becomes due; which circumstance is operating to the disparagement of our public credit, and jeopardising our reputation as to capacity of self government: *And that whereas*, it is essential to the well being and duration of our government to maintain to the utmost, such credit and reputation, and that it is incompatible with the nature and dignity of a republican government to impose oppressive taxes on its citizens, and that it is also incompatible to that spirit of enterprise, which gives dignity to the American character, to yield to despondency, or give up as lost that which may possibly be preserved or regained; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That in view of reviving our State credit, and maintaining a reputation for political honesty, we will carefully avoid such measures as we may deem calculated to increase our public debt; and that we will call into requisition our best efforts to give facility, by all laudable means, to the development of those resources of our country, which, in time, by the exercise of a proper policy, will enable us to liquidate every claim which is founded in justice against us; and

that instead of relaxing, we increase our energies in proportion to the magnitude of the difficulty to be overcome.

Resolved, That in order to the ultimate redemption of the plighted faith of the State, it is our imperative duty as the representatives of the people, forthwith to turn our attention to the object of making the best possible disposition of our public property, in the arrangement and adoption of some permanent plan of operations, which may be efficient in the extinguishment of our public debt; observing a proper distinction between the canal and the internal improvement system.

Resolved, That in pursuance of the foregoing preamble and resolutions, the committee on Internal Improvements be instructed to inquire into the expediency of making provisions for the incorporation of companies, so as to give up our public works to individual enterprise; say, that we propose letting out our canal and railroad routes to companies respectively, for a length of time, which may induce capitalists to take stock with assurance of ample remuneration; on conditions, however, that whenever a sufficient amount of stock may be taken on any one designated work, to authorise the incorporation of a company; such company shall in its corporation, assume the payment of so much of the public debt, principal and interest, as may be equal to the amount previously expended by the State on that particular work; and that there be no preference given to any particular work or route, but that they all lie open, and be subject to the commencement of operations in the order of time, which their respective merits and popularity may entitle them to consideration, and invite the attention of capitalists; and that the State take no share in such corporations, but reserve to itself an independent power of controlling their actions, so as to keep them within the stipulations of their charters, and to prevent them from operating to the disparagement of individual rights and interests of the people. And that the aforesaid committee report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Murphy moved that the above preamble and resolutions be referred to the committee on Canal Lands; which was agreed to, when,

On motion,

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Smith of Crawford presented the petition of sundry citizens of Crawford county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Bailhache, from the committee on Education, to which was referred the bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve the incorporation," reported the same back with an amendment.

Mr. Weatherford moved to amend the amendment of the committee by striking out the words "votes polled," in the 5th line, second section, and the words "at said election," in the 6th line, and insert the words "voters in said township;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved further to amend the bill, in the 5th section, by

striking out the words "votes polled," in the second and third lines, and insert the words "voters in said townships;" which was agreed to, when the amendments of the committee as amended, were agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a bill for "An act to alter the provisions of 'An act, making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,'" approved February 26, 1841; reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were agreed to, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to prevent fraudulent conveyances of property," reported the same back with amendments; which were concurred in, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vandever offered for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That a select committee of three from the House and two from the Senate be appointed to draw up a memorial to Congress, praying a grant of lands for the completion of the Charleston and Darwin turnpike road.

Mr. Pickering moved to amend the resolution, by adding the following:

Resolved, That a joint select committee of five from the House and three from the Senate, be appointed (the Senate concurring herein,) to draft a memorial to Congress, praying for a grant to this State, of every alternate section of land along the lines of railroad routes of the internal improvement system; and, also, a grant of a reasonable quantity of land for the purpose of improving the great western mail route, the national road, and the navigation of the Great Wabash, Little Wabash, Kaskaskia, Illinois and Rock Rivers; which

Mr. Vandever accepted as a modification of his resolution.

The resolution as modified was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the resolution of this House which was adopted some days since, fixing the time of meeting and adjourning, be rescinded for this afternoon, that this House go into the election of a United States Senator.

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

The resolution was amended by striking out all after the word "rescinded."

The resolution as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Resolved, That the Auditor of State be requested, at as early a day as possible, to lay before this House the amount of State Bank paper belonging to the school fund, now in the hands of the school commissioners in the different counties of the State, and the amount, if any, received by said commissioners since the 12th day of September last.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

Certain resolutions offered by him some days since, proposing a joint select committee to inquire into the legality of the sale of State bonds, were taken up and agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Davis of Bond, Sharp, and Ficklin be the committee on the part of the House.

Ordered further, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the propriety of so amending the criminal code of the State of Illinois, so as to classify the offences of killing a human being, under the following heads, viz:

First, murder in the first degree; second, murder in the second degree; third, voluntary manslaughter; fourth, involuntary manslaughter.— And further to inquire into the expediency of establishing a magistrates' court, authorizing three justices of the peace to sit as a court, for the purpose of trying, without delay, all charges of petit larceny and kindred offences; and that said committee report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Haley,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law in relation to insolvent debtors, when brought before probate justices of the peace on *Ca. Sa.*, for the purpose of scheduling, to retain the same amount and description of property as is now, by law, declared exempt from execution, and that they report by bill.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Pike,

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to examine the 62d section of "An act concerning public revenue," approved February 26, 1839; and report as to the expediency of reducing the fees therein allowed; also, for defining more clearly how the fees shall be paid.

Mr. Bryant moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of revising and simplifying the laws of this State, relating to common schools, so that they can be understood and carried into effect by persons of common capacity.

Mr. McClernand moved that the resolution be so amended as to make it imperative on the committee to review and report, which was agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Bone,

The resolution was further amended by striking out all after the word "resolved," and inserting the following, viz:

"That the committee on Education be requested to inquire into the propriety of revising, abridging, and simplifying the common school law, so as to make it easily comprehended."

The resolution as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

Resolved, by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the members of the Senate will meet the members of the House, in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Wednesday next, the 21st instant, at two o'clock P. M., for the purpose of electing a State Treasurer and Auditor of Public Accounts, for the State of Illinois.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Sharp moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the 91st section of the present school law, so as to authorize the school directors of the respective districts to levy and collect a tax, when a majority of three-fifths of the house-holders of said districts shall vote for the same, for the purpose of building and furnishing school houses; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Certain resolutions offered by him a few days since, calling on the Fund Commissioner for certain information, were taken up and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Langworthy,

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's message as relates to the high level canal and using the waters of the Des Plaines and Calumet rivers as feeders in place of Lake Michigan, be referred to the committee on Canals and Canal Lands, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so altering or amending the law regulating the assessment of property, as to require all real estate, hereafter, to be assessed in the name of the owner at the time of assessment, and that they report to this House, by bill or otherwise; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That this House will not act upon a resolution of this House until it has laid upon the table one day; which was not agreed to.

Engrossed bills, of the following titles, were read the third time and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act concerning the records of Jersey county;"

A bill for "An act to legalize certain acts of the county commissioners of Lake county;"

A bill for "An act for the relief of Jonathan D. Manlove."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill for "An act to transfer grocery and tavern licenses, after they have been obtained from the county commissioners' court, was read the third time; and,

On the question—"Shall the bill pass?" it was decided in the negative.

The engrossed bill for "An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer," was read the third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Re-committed to the committee on Accounts and Expenditures.

The engrossed bill for "An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute of the city of Chicago," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

A bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago," was read the second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A bill for "An act regulating the mode of commencing suits in the circuit court," was read the second time, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners' court of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named;" was read the second time, and,

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor; which was read as follows:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Springfield, Illinois, Dec. 17, 1842.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

The accompanying letter has been received from one of the creditors of the State, residing in London. It is communicated by me to the General Assembly for their action, if indeed, any thing at this time effectual can be done in this case.

I have the honor &c.,
THOMAS FORD.

The accompanying communication having been read,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Both documents were laid on the table; when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On Motion of Mr. Dollins,

Resolved, That the Senate be informed that the House of Representatives are now ready to receive them for the purpose of electing one Senator to the Congress of the United States of America.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The Senate, preceded by their Speaker, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives; when, in pursuance of a joint resolution, the two Houses proceeded to ballot for a Senator to the Congress of the United States of America, for a term of six years from the fourth day of March, thence ensuing; when

Mr. Crain nominated the Honorable Sidney Breese, and

Mr. Baker nominated Archibald Williams.

Those voting for Mr. Breese, are,

Messrs. Barnett, Buford, Catlin, Cavarly, Crain, Davis, Dougherty, English, Evans, Feaman, Harris, Hoard, Houston, James, Leviston, Markley, McMurtry, Minard, Ninnally, Parrish, Pearson, Ralston, Slocumb, Thompson, Vandeventer, Warren, Willbanks, and Wynne, of the Senate; and

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of

Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker, of the House of Representatives.

Those voting for Mr. Williams, are,

Messrs. Baker, Cullom, Davidson, Fithian, Harrison of Jo Daviess, Henry, Johnson, Parker, Ruggles, Smith, Stapp, Waters, and Worthington, of the Senate; and

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, and Yates, of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Killpatrick, of the Senate, voted for Gen. Hardin.

Mr. Ewing, of the House, voted for Mr. Browning.

Mr. Vinyard, of the House, voted for Mr. McClernand.

The Honorable Sidney Breese, having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared duly elected Senator to the Congress of the United States, for six years from the fourth day of March next; when

The Senate, preceded by their Speaker, withdrew; when,

On motion,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Aldrich presented the petition of sundry citizens of Alton, praying relief from the competition of convict labor; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Cloud presented the petition of sundry citizens of Morgan county, praying the repeal of "An act in relation to foreign insurance companies."

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The reading of the petition was dispensed with, and

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Cloud, Yates and Green of Greene, be said committee.

Mr. Langworthy presented the petition of sundry citizens of the county of Bureau, to appoint a superintendant of common schools; which was read, and

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Wheat presented sundry petitions of the citizens of Adams county, praying a division of said county; which, without reading, were

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Gregg presented the petition of Thomas Cox, praying an act authorising the county commissioners of Will county to grant him relief from an erroneous assessment of taxes; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of Crawford & Harvey, contractors on the Illinois and Michigan canal, praying relief; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Cloud, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was re-committed a bill for "An act amendatory of the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer, reported the same back with amendments, in which they asked the concurrence of the House; the amendments of the committee were then agreed to.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported bills of the following titles, as correctly engrossed, viz:

A bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the counties of Mercer, St. Clair, and Macoupin, for the year 1842."

A bill for "An act to alter the provisions of 'An act making provisions for organising and maintaining common schools;' approved February 26, 1841.

A bill for "An act to prevent fraudulent conveyances of property."

A bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve the incorporation."

A bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago."

Mr. McClermand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred certain resolutions relative to the receipt by the State of Illinois of her distributive share of the money due the several States of the Union, under the distribution act, reported two bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to provide for the receipt of the distributive share of this State of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Also, a bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, when

Mr. Blair moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the words "for no other purpose," in the first section of said bill, and insert the following, viz:

"Deposit the same in the State Treasury, to be appropriated to the payment of the interest to become due on the first day of January next, on the school, college and seminary funds, and that it be applied to no other purpose until that debt due from the State is first paid."

Mr. Murphy moved to adjourn; which was not agreed to, when

On motion,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole House, on the bill for "An act to limit the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables;" Mr. Murphy in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and Mr. Chairman reported certain amendments to said bill, and asked the concurrence of the House therein; which amendments were agreed to.

Mr. Logan moved for adoption the following amendment to said bill: after the word "districts" add the following, viz:

"Except where the contract or cause of action was made or accrued in the justices district, in which case the constable shall only charge mileage to the boundary of his district;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Yates moved the adoption of the following amendment, viz:

"*Provided*, That when the contract, by the terms thereof, is made payable in any particular precinct, suits may be brought in such precincts."

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the amendment, by striking out all after the word "*provided*" and insert the following, viz:

"That no constable shall hereafter be allowed mileage in any case, but in all cases shall pay the costs in which he shall serve the summons;" which was not agreed to.

The amendment of Mr. Yates was then rejected.

Mr. Logan moved the adoption of the following proviso, viz:

"*Provided*, That this act shall not apply to suits for trespass or trover;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Hanson moved the adoption of the following proviso, viz:

"*Provided, also*, That in all cases where the constable shall not perform mileage service, he shall not be entitled to any mileage fees;" which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Norris,

The bill, together with the several amendments, were referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Norris, Sharp, Horney, Douglas, and Dougherty be said committee.

Mr. Cloud, from the joint select committee, appointed to report rules for the government of the two Houses, reported the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the joint rules of the two Houses at the last session be the joint rules for the government of the two Houses for the present session, and that a joint select committee of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to procure the printing (in convenient form) of the joint rules, the rules of the Senate, and the rules of the House of Representatives, with the standing committees of each House; also, the Constitution of the United States, and the Constitution of this State, and the schedule thereto, together with the ordinance adopted on the admission of this State into the Union, with such statistical information as the committee may think proper for a convenient Legislative Manu-

al; to which the committee shall attach a directory, with the names of State officers, their age, residence and salary; also, the names, age, residence, profession and boarding house of the members and officers of two Houses; which was agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Cloud, Nesbit, and Stewart be that committee.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted, viz:

Whereas, the State of Illinois is rich in mineral resources, which have not been sufficiently developed: *And whereas*, many of our enterprising citizens feel a deep interest in ascertaining the mineral wealth, as well as the agricultural value of their farms: *And whereas*, the local knowledge of individuals would be of great importance in facilitating a geological survey of the State, at the same period, when our finances will justify so desirable an undertaking; therefore,

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed to draft and report to this House some economical and appropriate plan of obtaining specimens of the minerals, rocks and petrifications, soils, &c., together with appropriate queries to be propounded to the people of the State; also, a concise abstract of general directions, for selecting geological specimens, and observing geological phenomena. Hoping that every one who is interested either in having the mineral wealth of his farm known, or in advancing geology and its kindred sciences, will contribute such aid as may be in his power, by furnishing specimens and useful geological information, in order that the same may be preserved in a State cabinet.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, Bryant, and Logan be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The bill for "An act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,'" was taken up from the table, and committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the special order of the day for Tuesday, 10 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Whitcomb, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to establish the weight of grain;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

To the committee on Manufactures and Agriculture; when

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,'" approved February 26, 1841.

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have concurred with the House in the adoption of a resolution appointing a joint select committee to make inquiries concerning State bonds and State indebtedness; and have appointed Messrs. Nunnally and Ryan to be the committee on their part.

They have also laid on the table the resolution of the House fixing Wednesday, the 21st inst., as the time at which the two Houses would meet and proceed to the election of Auditor of Public Accounts and Treasurer of the State of Illinois.

They have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill for "An act in relation to the State Bank of Illinois and Bank of Illinois."

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House; Mr. Cloud in the Chair, on the bill for "An act regulating the sales of property on judgments and executions;" and after some time spent in the consideration of the same, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; which was agreed to.

A message from the Governor, by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Governor to lay before the House of Representatives, a written communication; which was read as follows, viz:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
December 20, 1842.

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

The Hon. John Pearson has resigned his seat in the Senate, to take effect on the first day of January, 1843. A writ of election will issue immediately to fill the vacancy. But the law, as it now stands, requires a longer previous notice of the election; and allows a longer time for the returns thereof to be made than is necessary for a special election, during the session.

I have the honor, &c.

THOMAS FORD.

Which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act providing for a special election of Senator in the district composed of Will, Dupage, and Iroquois counties."

In the passage of which they ask they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House took up the bill of the Senate for "An act providing for a special election of Senator in the district composed of the counties of Will, Dupage and Iroquois; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time, when

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the same by striking out of the first section, the words "to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. John Pearson;" which was not agreed to.

Ordered, That the bill be read the third time.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time by its title, and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Menard, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dougherty, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—87.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Brinkley, Compton, Danner, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Flanders, Hicks, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, Menard, Miller, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Thompson, Vinyard, and White—23.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following as correctly engrossed, viz:

A bill for "An act to provide for the receipt of the distributive share of this State of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands; when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

The committee of the whole House was discharged from the further consideration of the bill for "An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions."

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the first section by adding the following proviso, viz:

"*Provided* this act shall not apply to executions issued in favor of laborers, for work and labor done."

Mr. Murphy demanded a call of the House and after a call was had, further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The question recurring on the passage of the amendment, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Murphy and Nesbit, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Browning, Edwards, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, West, Wheat—18.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blake-man, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Ham-baugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernard, McDonald of Cal-houn, McMillan, Madden, Manniag, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—93.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The bill was amended by striking out the words "the officer," in the sixth line in the first section, and inserting the following: "those selected by the plaintiff and defendant."

Mr. Koerner moved the adoption of the following amendment, viz:

Strike out all after the word "furthermore," line 23, section 1, and insert "the provisions of this act shall not extend to any contracts, judgments, executions and debts, which now exist, but shall have a prospective operation only;" when

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

JOHN T. DAVIS, member from Williamson county, and LEONARD ANDRUS, member from Ogle county, appeared, were qualified, and took their seats.

A message from the Governor, by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State; which was read as follows, viz:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
December 20, 1842.

To the Honorable

the General Assembly of Illinois:

A vacancy has this day occurred in the office of associate Justice of the Supreme Court, by the resignation of the Honorable Sidney Breese, to take effect from and after the first day of January next.

Also, a vacancy in the same office occurred in June last, by my own resignation; which last vacancy was temporarily filled by an appointment by my predecessor, to continue until the end of the present session of the General Assembly.

I have the honor to be, &c.,

THOMAS FORD.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The communication was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The rule being dispensed with, the bill for "An act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,' together with the amendment proposed by Mr. Koerner, were taken up and considered.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The amendment was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Weatherford, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClelland, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—89.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Hatch, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Murphy, Penn, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, West, and Whitcomb—29.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The House re-considered the vote taken on yesterday on agreeing to the amendment offered by Mr. Jonas, when,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Logan moved for adoption the following proviso to the first section:

"Provided, That where any execution shall be levied on the property of a security for the debt on which the execution has been issued, such security shall be entitled to the benefits of this law;" when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported as correctly enrolled, a bill for "An act in relation to the State Bank of Illinois and Bank of Illinois;" when

Mr. Ficklin demanded a call of the House, and after the call had progressed some time, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, and on his motion,

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor; which was read as follows, viz:

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Springfield, December 21, 1842.

To the Hon. the SPEAKER

of the House of Representatives.

SIR: I have the honor herewith to lay before the House of Representatives, the seventh annual report of the commissioner of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and accompanying documents.

I have the honor to be, &c.,

THOMAS FORD.

Which, together with the accompanying documents, were,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Logan modified his amendment by adding the following, viz:

"Except that the securities of the collectors of revenue, and those entrusted with its safe keeping, shall not be entitled to the benefit of this act."

The amendment as modified was then agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Dollins, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—76.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bell, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Green of Greene, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Lawler, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Miller, Norris, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, West, and Weatherford—38.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the word "made," in the 24th line of the first section; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Murphy and Weatherford, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Bishop, Cushman, Edwards, Ewing, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Murphy, Pickering, Stewart, and Whitcomb—14.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon,

Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—104.

On motion of Mr. Hanson,

The House re. considered its vote, agreeing to the amendment offered by Mr. Logan, as modified by him.

The question arising on agreeing to the amendment of Mr. Logan, as modified by him,

Mr. Nesbit moved to strike out that portion of the amendment, excepting the securities of collectors and keepers of the public revenue from the benefits of the law.

Mr. McClernand moved to lay the proposed amendments on the table; which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Nesbit, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Thompson, Vance, West, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—56.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitcomb, Wilson, and Yates—57.

Mr. Owen moved to refer the bill and proposed amendments to a select committee of nine, composed of one from each judicial circuit; which was not agreed to.

The question arising upon the amendment proposed by Mr. Nesbit, to Mr. Logan's amendment; it was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan, as

modified by himself, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cushman, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, Wilson, and Yates,—55.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bell, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—63.

Mr. Anderson moved to amend the first section, by inserting in the 10th line, after the word "value," the words "without regard to the present scarcity of money;" which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Cochran, Dougherty, Hanson, Horney, Kuykendall, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Owen, Pickering, Vance, Vinyard, West, and Weatherford—17.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—100.

Mr. Collins moved the adoption of the following proviso, viz:

And provided further, That the provisions of this act shall not extend to judgments and executions in cases of trespass and trover; which,

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the first section by inserting after the word "they" in the 10th line, the words "or a majority of them;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Norris moved to amend the first section by striking out the following words: "also debts due executors, administrators or guardians, acting as such;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the bill by adding to the first section the following proviso, viz:

Provided, That in all cases in which the property offered, or to be offered for sale, has been decided by the proper court, to have been fraudulently conveyed by the execution debtor, to avoid paying his debts, the same shall be sold without valuation.

Mr. Hicks moved to lay the amendment on the table; when,
The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. McDonald of Calhoun presented the petition of William Frye, praying compensation for copying assessor's books of Calhoun county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Logan presented the petition of sundry citizens of Springfield, praying the repeal of "An act in relation to foreign insurance companies;" which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which was referred a petition of like import, some days since.

Mr. Jonas presented the remonstrance of sundry citizens of Adams county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of sundry citizens of Will county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Browning presented the petition of sundry citizens of Adams county, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of the counties of Adams and Hancock; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Also a petition of sundry citizens of Hancock county, praying for the organization of a new county out of parts of Adams and Hancock; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, the petition of sundry citizens of Adams county, praying for the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Owen presented the petition of sundry citizens of Middletown precinct, McDonough county, praying a law authorizing the election of

an additional justice of the peace and constable in said precinct; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Owen, Turner, and Starr be that committee.

Mr. Kuykendall presented the petition of Simon Jones, of Johnson county, praying for a divorce; which, without reading, he moved to be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; when,

On motion of Mr. Blakeman,

The petition was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Bryant presented the petition of sundry citizens of Bureau county, praying for the passage of a law to prevent the running at large of swine; which was read, and

Referred to the committee on Manufactures and Agriculture.

Mr. Stewart presented a communication from the grand jury of Cook county, addressed to the State's Attorney of the 7th Judicial Circuit, proposing alterations and amendments to certain laws; which was read, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ewing presented the petition of the county commissioners of the county of Mason, praying a law, giving to the said county its distributive share of the school fund, which has been received by the counties of Tazewell and Menard, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the petition of the county commissioners of Lee county, asking the passage of a law to lease the vacant rooms in the court house of said county, as offices, for a term not exceeding one year; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The consideration of the bill for "An act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,'" was resumed.

The question being on agreeing to the amendment proposed by Mr. Ficklin on yesterday, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Browning, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—81.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Fowler, Hicks, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClermand, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Thompson, Turner, and Wilson—34.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The 1st section of the bill was amended by inserting after the word "choice," in the 7th line, the following: "or in case of a choice, if such appraisers shall fail, refuse or neglect, to make such appraisement then;" and by inserting after the word "judgment," in the 23d line, the following: "deeds of trust and mortgages, wherein the mortgagee has reserved the right to sell the mortgaged premises."

On motion of Mr. Brown of Pike,

The first section of the bill was amended by adding the following, viz: "but in all cases the debtor shall be allowed to stay the collection of the principal of any sum of money, in any way due to the school fund, by giving good and sufficient security, and paying the interest and cost thereon, punctually, as it becomes due; whether judgment has been obtained thereon or not."

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill was amended by inserting after the word "thereon," in the 29th line, the following: "or after having been notified, shall."

Further action on the bill being suspended for the present,

Mr. Gregg, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the report of the canal commissioner, and accompanying documents, reported the same back to the House with a recommendation that they be laid on the table and one thousand copies printed.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the report by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting "five hundred."

Mr. Dollins moved to insert "one hundred and fifty."

Mr. Ervin moved to insert "two thousand."

The question being taken on inserting "two thousand," it was not agreed to.

Mr. Murphy demanded a division of the question.

The question being first taken on striking out, it was not agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to strike out "one thousand" and insert "five hundred;" which was not agreed to.

The report was then concurred in.

House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Aldrich,

The report of the inspectors of the Penitentiary, was taken up and referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Murphy, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in the State,' in force February 26, 1841.

Reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to.

The bill as amended was then

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred certain resolutions and amendments in relation to the various city charters of this State, reported a bill for "An act to repeal all the city charters in the State of Illinois; which was read the first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Laid on the table.

A message from the Governor, by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Governor to lay before the House of Representatives a written communication; which communication was accompanied by a correspondence between the Governor, Auditor and Fund Commissioner of this State and Thomas Mather, in behalf of the president and directors of the State Bank of Illinois, in relation to a dissolution of bank and State; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

The House resumed the consideration of the bill for an act entitled "An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions," when

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the bill by inserting after the word "sell," in the 2d line of the 3d section, the following: "then the lien created by the judgment or decree in the case, upon the property, real or personal, of the defendant, shall cease as to other judgment creditors;" which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Arnold and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Burklow, Cloud, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson. Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Turner, Vance, and Weatherford—33.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—84.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the second section of the bill by adding the following:

"And when any execution shall be levied on any house or houses, lot or lots, or other real estate, situated in any city, town or village, not susceptible of division, the officers, at the request or direction of the plaintiff, shall proceed to offer for sale such an interest in said property as will satisfy the debt and cost, and in case of sale, the purchaser shall become tenant in common in said property; *Provided*, that in case of the sale of any real estate, the same rights of redemption shall ensue to the defendant and judgment creditors as is now provided by law; anything in this act to the contrary, notwithstanding."

Mr. Starne moved to amend the amendment by striking out all after the word "when," in the first line, and inserting the following:

"Any real estate shall be directed by decree in a court in chancery to be sold or levied upon by execution, and not be susceptible of division, and the two-thirds of the appraised value thereof will exceed the amount of said decree or execution, together with the costs due thereon, and the plaintiff or complainant shall bid or take the same, at two-thirds the value thereof, he shall not be compelled to pay such excess to said defendant until the expiration of the time for the redemption of said land, either by the defendant in execution, or a judgment creditor; and if the same shall not be redeemed by said defendant in execution, his widow, heirs, mortgagee, vendee or assignee, within twelve months, or a judgment creditor within fifteen months, from the day of sale, that upon the execution and delivery of the deed to said plaintiff as purchaser, the purchase money shall then be paid over to said defendant in execution, his heirs, mortgagee, vendee or assignee, shall be entitled to retain the possession of said property during the term aforesaid, without charge;" which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The amendment was amended by inserting after the word "village," the words, "or elsewhere;" when,

The amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Mitchell until Wednesday next.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, its Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act in relation to the State Bank of Illinois and Bank of Illinois."

When the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 23, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the adoption of a memorial to Congress, praying for the passage of a law, granting pre-emption rights, for fifteen years, to two hundred and forty acres, and donations of eighty acres of land, to settlers thereon, with the accompanying resolution of the House, with an amendment; in which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of sundry citizens of Pike and Adams counties, praying the organization of a new county, from parts of said counties; which, without reading, was,

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dougherty presented the petition of Samuel Millburn, praying for relief; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Logan presented the petition of Stacy B. Opdycke, praying for relief; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Horney presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Schuyler county, in relation to the revenue and the repeal of the "Act regulating the rate of interest;" which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Lockard presented the petition of Alex. McWilliams and others, praying for the passage of a law to authorise William B. Marrs, administrator of Frederick Boyers, deceased, to make a deed to certain lands therein named; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Burklow presented the petition of sundry citizens of Perry county, praying the passage of a stay law, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Laid on the table.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the correspondence between the president and directors of the State Bank of Illinois, and the Governor, Auditor, and Fund Commissioner of this State, in relation to a separation of bank and State, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same, when the committee was discharged, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dougherty, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tack-erberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—68.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Owen, Pickering, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, West, Weatherford, and Yates—48.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The said correspondence was then

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to official bonds," reported the same back

to the House with sundry amendments; which amendments were concurred in, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Flanders, from the committee on Salines, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act to provide for leasing the Saline reserve lands in Jackson county, and for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named;'" reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were concurred in, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a resolution of the Senate, appointing a joint select committee, to revise and classify the laws of this State, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to concur with the Senate in said resolution.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the same.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act relative to probate justices of the peace," reported the same back to the House, with sundry amendments; which were concurred in, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Yates, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act regulating the mode of commencing suits in the circuit court," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when,

The House refused to concur with the report of the committee, and ordered the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dougherty and McDonald of Calhoun, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Busey, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Eppler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Green of Greene, Hannaford, Hanson, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Edwards, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Jonas, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Murphy, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Weatherford, Wheat, Woodworth, and Yates—44.

Message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the adoption

of their resolution, having for its object the appointment of a joint select committee to procure the printing in convenient form, of the joint rules, the rules of the Senate, the rules of the House of Representatives, with the standing rules of each House, &c., amended by them, as follows:

“Strike out all of said resolution, after the words “each House.”

And have appointed Messrs. Dougherty and Ralston the committee on their part; in which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The bill for “An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements,” coming up for consideration.

The question was on agreeing with the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The engrossed bill for “An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer;” was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Compton demanded a call of the House, and after some proceeding was had therein.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Further proceedings under the call, were dispensed with.

The engrossed bill for “An act to provide for the receipt of the distributive share of this State, of the proceeds of the sale of the public lands, was read the third time and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Wheat and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Yates—86.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Cloud, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Gregg, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Lawler, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Miller, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Thompson, Turner, Wheat and Mr. Speaker—23.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate of the same, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Howard, until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Ewing, until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The House resumed the consideration of the bill for "An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions;" when

Mr. Horney moved the adoption of the following proviso to the sixth section:

"Provided always, That the defendant, in all cases, except those excluded in the first section of this bill, whether before a court of record or justice of the peace, may at his election surrender his property to be sold according to the first section of this bill, or shall have two years stay of execution, from and after this act, by filing a bond with good and sufficient security in a sum sufficient to cover the debt, interest and cost, to be approved by the clerk of said court where judgment was obtained, and justices of the peace on judgments on their dockets;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Wheat moved to amend the seventh section by striking out all from the commencement thereof to the end of the first period, and insert the following, to wit:

"That an act entitled "An act regulating the sale of property," approved February 27, 1841; and, also, all laws and parts of laws of this State, authorising and providing for a redemption of property sold under execution, and under and by virtue of any fee bill, or order, or decree of any court of chancery be and the same is hereby repealed; which was,

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Wheat and Browning, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—74.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Collins, Cushman, Edwards, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of

McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Menard, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, West, Wheat, and Whitcomb—36.

Mr. Logan moved the adoption of the following amendment, viz:

"This act shall extend to all contracts made before the first day of January, 1843, and to all bonds, notes, and other securities which may hereafter be given to renew or secure the payment of debts existing before that time.

"**SEC.** Whenever a judgment shall hereafter be rendered on any contract bearing date after the first day of January, 1843, it shall be competent for the defendant to file his affidavit, stating that such contract was made in renewal of a previously existing debt; which fact may be denied by any party to the contract by his affidavit; if he alleges the same to be untrue, and either party may produce such other affidavits as he may think necessary in relation to the fact, and if, on hearing the motion, the court shall decide that the contract sued on was made to renew a previously existing debt as aforesaid, the court shall direct that an endorsement to that effect shall be made on the execution, and such execution shall be subject to the provisions of this law. This act shall continue in force three years from and after its passage."

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the amendment by adding the following proviso:

"*Provided*, that no one judgment shall create a lien upon the real estate of the defendant, against other judgment creditors for a longer term than three months from the date of such judgment;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Pickering moved to amend the amendment by striking out all except the last clause; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved to strike out of the last clause of the amendment the word "three" and insert "two;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the amendment by adding the following proviso:

"*Provided*, That no judgment hereafter to be obtained upon any contract for the payment of money, now existing, shall create a lien upon the real estate of the defendant, against other judgment creditors, for a longer time than three months from the date of such judgment;" which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan, it was agreed to.

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the bill by inserting in the 4th line of the 6th section, after the word "each," the following words: "to be added to the costs of suit, and to be paid as other costs;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the bill by inserting in the 22d line of the 1st section, after the word "execution," the words "fee bills or attachments;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Logan moved to strike out the words "strict foreclosures" from the 21st line of the 1st section; which was agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved the following amendment:

"In all cases where appraisements of property have been made under the provisions of this act, and the property so appraised remains unsold, either of the parties to the execution may apply to the circuit court of

the county in which the appraisement was made to vacate such appraisement, and order a new one to be made; and the party intending to move to vacate such appraisement, shall give the adverse party, or his attorney, ten days previous notice of the time and place of making such motion; and upon the hearing thereof, both parties shall be at liberty to call and examine witnesses, and the court shall vacate or affirm said appraisement, as in his opinion the evidence may appear to require. If upon the hearing of said motion, the court should vacate said appraisement, the same proceedings shall thereafter be had under the execution, as if no appraisement whatever had before been made;" when

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

It was laid on the table.

Mr. Hanson moved to amend the bill by inserting after "value," in the 10th line of the 1st section, the words "in ordinary times;" which was agreed to.

Mr. McClernand demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question now be put?" it was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading?" it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Mr. Dubois and Murphy, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobbe, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bone, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Edwards, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, and Woodworth—35.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act to appoint bank commissioners and defining their duties."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Treasurer of State, in relation to the funds now in his hands; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Laid on the table; when,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

It was taken up and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Lawler presented the petition of sundry citizens of White county, praying a change of the law as to the sale of property under execution, and for other purposes; which was read, and

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. McDonald of Jo Daviess, presented the petition of Chas. S. Hempstead and others, of the Galena bar, praying the removal of the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, Judge of the 6th judicial circuit, for want of capacity to discharge the duties of his office; which was read, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. McDonald of Jo Daviess, Graves, Koerner, Browning, and Ames be that committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the committees of Finance of the two Houses be instructed to examine the offices of Auditor and Treasurer, and report their condition; the manner in which they have respectively been kept for the last two years; whether they have been so kept as to make one a complete check upon the other; and whether or not any money has been lost by the inadvertance, neglect or improper conduct of either the Auditor or Treasurer, their agents or clerks, and that they report as soon as convenient by bill or otherwise.

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Also, that they have passed a bill for "An act to authorize the Governor to appoint State's Attorneys."

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Browning presented sundry petitions of the citizens of Adams and Hancock counties, praying the organization of a new county from parts of the counties of Adams and Hancock; which, without reading, were

Referred to the committee on Counties.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The following order was adopted.

Ordered, That the correspondence between the Governor, Auditor, and Fund Commissioner, of the one part, and the President of the State Bank of the other part, be printed for the use of the members of this House.

The bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements" coming up for consideration.

The question being on Mr. Blair's amendment, when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Nesbit until Wednesday next.

Mr. Bryant from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties of this State,' in force February 26, 1841.

The consideration of the bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements," being resumed, the question was on Mr. Blair's amendment.

Mr. Cochran moved to amend the amendment by striking out all after the word "funds," and inserting the words "and to the further payment of the interest on said fund as it may hereafter become due, and to no other purpose;" which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Further action on this bill was suspended for the present; when

Mr. Bryant reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill for "An act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions;'" which bill,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Was taken up, read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Adams, until Wednesday next, and to Mr. Menard, until Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Manning,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Pratt until Wednesday next.

Mr. Logan moved that the House adjourn until Tuesday next; which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Blair, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Brown of Pike, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Danner, Dougherty, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hunsaker, Jonas, Koerner, Logan, McClernard, Madden, Miller, Murphy, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Turner, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—38.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Norris, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, West, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Wilson—66.

When the House adjourned.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 26, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act in relation to official bonds;"

A bill for "An act relative to probate justices of the peace;"

A bill for "An act regulating the mode of commencing suits in the circuit courts;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for leasing the Saline reserve lands in Jackson county, and for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named.'"

A message from the Governor, by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Governor to lay before the House of Representatives, a written communication; which communication, together with a communication from the Executive of the State of Vermont, and the accompanying resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of Vermont, were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Honorable Theophilus W. Smith, resigning the office of associate Justice of the Supreme Court of this State; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry presented the petition of sundry citizens of Elgin, Kane county, praying the incorporation of a company for the establishment of a woollen factory, at Elgin; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Manning presented the petition of Hugh Rhodes, Edwin Rhodes, and Owen Rhodes, praying the passage of a law confirming certain sales of real estate; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Starr presented the remonstrance of sundry citizens of Adams county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bibbens presented the petition of sundry citizens of La Salle, praying the establishment of a ferry, at or near the mouth of Vermilion river, across the Illinois; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Wheat presented the petition of sundry citizens of Adams county, praying for a division of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. McClelland, from the committee on Finance, reported a bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. McClernand,
Re-committed to the committee on Finance, and
Ordered to be printed; when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,
1000 copies were ordered to be printed.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Henry Brown, praying relief, reported a bill for "An act to compensate Henry Brown for services rendered as State's Attorney, in the seventh judicial circuit;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Cushman, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the petition of Benjamin Bruce, late collector of Gallatin county, reported a bill for "An act to provide for the collection of the revenue due from delinquents in the county of Gallatin, for the year 1841;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Flanders, from the committee on Salines, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the relief of the widow and heirs of Tyler D. Hewitt, deceased, late commissioner of Saline lands," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a resolution offered by Mr. Howard, proposing a change in the criminal code, reported the same back to the House and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act organizing the judiciary of the State of Illinois,'" reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection.

The question being on the engrossment of the bill; when,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was referred to a select committee of nine, composed of one from each judicial circuit.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Andrus, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Miller, Hicks, Penn, Blair, and Logan be that committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed a bill for "An act making partial appropriations."

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of "A bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute in the city of Chicago."

Mr. Dubois, the rule being dispensed with, moved the adoption of the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, the present is a period of extraordinary pecuniary embarrassment, both to the people and government: *And whereas*, the people, from these and other causes, expect and desire that economy and retrenchment should be carried into every branch of public affairs: *And whereas*, an early adjournment would conduce, by consequence and example, to the accomplishment of the above object, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the two Houses will adjourn *sine die*, on the first day of February, 1843; when,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The resolution was amended by striking out the words "first day of February, 1843," and inserting the words "as soon as possible."

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The further consideration of the preamble and resolution was suspended for the present; when, the rule being dispensed with, he made the following report from the select committee appointed to draft rules for the government of this House, viz:

That they have examined the rules adopted for the government of the Legislature for the years 1840 and 1841, and would recommend the adoption of said rules for the government of this House at its present session. The committee also recommend for the consideration of this House, the propriety of embodying in the book of rules,

1st. The joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives.

2d. The rules of the Senate of this State.

3d. The Constitution of the United States.

4th. The Constitution of the State of Illinois, with the schedule thereto attached.

5th. The census of this State, by counties, as taken by the United States, in the year 1840.

6th. The officers and members of the Senate of this State, with their boarding houses in this city, and their residence and Post Office, when at home.

7th. The officers and members of the House of Representatives, with their boarding houses in this city, and their residence and Post Office, when at home.

8th. The officers of State, with their salaries, and a calendar for the year 1843.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House; when,

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The report was referred to the joint select committee on the rules of the two Houses; when

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Brinkley, the rules of the House being dispensed with, moved to take up the Senate bill for "An act to appoint bank commissioners, and defining their duties;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act for the relief of the widow and heirs of Tyler D. Hewitt, deceased, late commissioner of Saline lands;"

A bill for "An act to compensate Henry Brown for services rendered as State's Attorney in the seventh judicial circuit;"

A bill for "An act to provide for the collection of the revenue due from delinquents in the county of Gallatin, for the year 1841,"

And as correctly enrolled, a bill for "An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute in the city of Chicago."

Mr. Manning presented the petition of sundry citizens of Knox county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Owen presented the petition of sundry citizens of Hancock county, praying a change of a part of the turnpike road in said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of the proprietors of the town of Saratoga, for an addition to the name of said town; which, without reading, was

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Cochran, Hunsaker, and Bradley be that committee.

Mr. Horney, the rules of the House being dispensed with, offered for adoption the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, our collectors are now standing on precarious ground respecting the revenue of this State; they having been sworn into office and the books handed over to them: *And whereas*, the Governor, Treasurer and Auditor, have, by their proclamation, prohibited the reception of the former and usual kind of funds received for revenue: *And whereas*, it is highly necessary that those collectors should immediately know what kind of funds they are to receive, and if in specie, what amount or per centage on the present assessment.

Resolved, That the revenue of 1842, from peculiar circumstances, requires a distinct and separate revenue law from that of the general revenue law of the two succeeding years,

Resolved, therefore, That the committee on Finance be requested and earnestly solicited to report a bill at their earliest convenience on this particular matter.

Resolved, That the said committee be instructed to inquire into the expediency of valuing the bank notes of the State Bank of Illinois and the Bank of Illinois, now in the possession of the Treasurer of this State, as funds belonging to the State, so that the same may be paid out at its specie value in the redemption of Auditor's warrants, and that they report by bill or otherwise; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That a joint select committee of three on the part of the House, and two

on the part of the Senate, be appointed to examine into the accounts of Doctor Barret and James Barret, late Fund Commissioners; also, John D. Whiteside, present Fund Commissioner. That said committee report to this House the amount of State bonds received by each of them, and the manner they have been disposed of. Also, the amount of money received by each commissioner, the source from which the same was received, and the manner in which it has been expended or laid out; and that in order to secure a full and complete examination into each and every of these transactions, respectively, as such Fund Commissioners, that said committee have power to send for persons and papers, and that said committee report to this House at their earliest convenience.

Ordered, That Messrs. Davis of Bond, Murphy, and Weatherford be the committee on the part of the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a resolution to revise the school law, reported a bill, for "An act to establish and maintain common schools;" which, the rule being dispensed with, was read a first and second time by its title, and re-committed to the same committee, with instructions to cause 500 copies to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Re-committed to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Alexander McWilliams and others, praying the passage of a law authorizing Wm. B. Marrs, administrator of Frederick Boyers, deceased, to make a deed to certain lands therein named, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a bill for "An act authorizing a re-valuation of a school section in Lake county," reported the same back to the House without amendment, and which,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a bill organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein, reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading?" it was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. Murphy, from the select committee to which was referred a certain preamble and resolutions offered some days since by him, condemnatory

of the repudiation of the public State debt, reported the same back, with amendments; which were agreed to.

The preamble, as amended, was then agreed to, the resolutions having been previously adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

The amendments of the Senate to a joint resolution originating in the House, proposing the printing of certain other matters with the rules; were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The amendments of the Senate to a memorial originating in the House, addressed to the Congress of the United States, praying that body to pass a law granting pre-emption rights for fifteen years, and for other purposes, were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The Senate bill, for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' approved February 26, 1841;" was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The Senate bill for "An act making partial appropriations," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, when

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the bill by adding the following, viz:

"And to Revil W. English, Joel A. Matteson, James Gillham, and Reuben Harrison, the sum of forty dollars each, in part payment of the compensation to which they are entitled, as late Senators of the General Assembly; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Glass, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bibbens, Blair, Courtright, Dennis, Dubois, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hannaford, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Murphy, Pickering, Pratt, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—22.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Yates—86.

The rules being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, that the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The Senate bill for "An act to appoint bank commissioners, and defining their duties," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and,

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

The Senate's resolution requiring the standing committees on Finance of both Houses to examine and report as to the condition of the offices of Auditor and Treasurer, was read, and

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Amended by striking out all after the word "instructed," in the third line of the resolution, and inserting the following: "to examine into the condition and previous management of the affairs of the offices of Auditor of Public Accounts and the Treasurer of State, and that they report as early as may be, to the General Assembly, the result of their enquiries.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein; when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize the Governor to appoint circuit attorneys," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, when

Mr. McMillan moved to amend the bill by adding the following additional section:

"Sec. Hereafter the Attorney General shall not be required to perform the duties of circuit attorney in the circuit in which he resides, and there shall be appointed, in the manner that is or may hereafter be prescribed by law, for the appointment of other circuit attorneys, a circuit attorney for the eighth judicial circuit, who shall perform the same duties and receive the fees and salary as other circuit attorneys; *Provided, however*, that the Attorney General shall continue to perform such duties in the circuit court of Sangamon county as are required in an act entitled "An act further defining the duties of Attorney General and for other purposes," approved February 26, 1841, any law to the contrary, notwithstanding; when

Mr. Dollins moved to indefinitely postpone the consideration of the bill and amendment.

Mr. Ames moved that the bill and amendment be laid on the table; which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on Mr. Dollins' motion, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Miller, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Courtright, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Ficklin, Fowler, Green of Greene, Koerner, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Penn, Scott, Simms, Spicer, Thompson, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—31.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—79.

When the House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Jonas presented the petition of the Grand Master and other officers of the Grand Lodge of the State of Illinois, praying the passage of a law incorporating said lodge; which was read, and

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Dickinson presented the petition of Bird Williamson, praying the passage of a law to allow him to peddle goods in this State without license; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bradley presented the petition of sundry citizens of Jackson county, praying the passage of a law to legalise certain returns of treasurers of townships to the school commissioner of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of sundry citizens of Will county, praying the extension of the right of trial by jury, and the repeal of certain laws therein referred to; which was read.

Mr. Collins moved that the petition be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Turner moved that it be laid on the table; which was not agreed to, when,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The petition was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Gregg presented the petition of John Steele and Phillip Amer, contractors on the Illinois and Michigan canal, praying relief, and documents accompanying said petition; which, without reading, were

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Bryant presented the petition of sundry citizens of Bureau county, praying for the modification of the laws relating to negroes and mulattoes; which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Ames, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Bureau county, praying the passage of a law to prevent the running at large of swine, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the committee on Manufactures and Agriculture, to which was referred a bill for "An act to establish the weight of grain, reported the same back with an amendment;" which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Together with the bill, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a petition of sundry persons, praying the vacation of certain alleys of the town of Olney, Richland county, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to vacate the alleys in William H. Reed's, Thomas W. Lilley's, and William Elliott's addition to the town of Olney, in Richland county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Hick,

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to transmit to the Senate, the communication of the Honorable Theophilus W. Smith, Justice of the Supreme Court, now in the possession of this House, wherein he tenders his resignation to the General Assembly of this State, of the office of Justice of the Supreme Court.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The bill for "An act to repeal all the city charters in the State of Illinois," was taken up.

The question—"Shall the bill be read the second time," was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Glass, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Cochran, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Wilson—56.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon,

Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Mr. McDonald of Jo Daviess, from the select committee of five, to which was referred the petition of Charles S. Hempstead, praying the removal of the Honorable Thomas C. Browne, from the office of Justice of the Supreme Court, moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the select committee to which was referred the petition of C. S. Hempstead and others, of the Galena bar, have power to send for persons and papers, and to appoint a clerk to record the proceedings of said committee.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the "*Resolved*," and inserting the following, viz:

"That the committee to which was referred the petition of Charles S. S. Hempstead and others, praying the removal of the Hon. Thos. C. Browne from office, be discharged from the further consideration of said petition.

"*Resolved*, That this House will on Tuesday, the third day of January, 1843, investigate at its bar, all charges which may be preferred against said Thomas C. Browne, and that they will continue such investigation from day to day, until the same is completed.

"*Resolved*, That the Clerk of this House, inform the Honorable Thomas C. Browne, of the time fixed for the investigation of said charges; that he also furnish him a copy of the petition and charges preferred against him, and a copy of these resolutions.

"*Resolved*, That said Thomas C. Browne be authorised to appear at the bar of this House by himself and counsel, during the investigation of the charges made against him; and that the petitioners be allowed, also, to appear by themselves and counsel; which were agreed to, and the resolution as amended agreed to.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported that they had laid before the Council of Revision for their approval, a bill of the following title, to wit: "An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute in the city of Chicago."

On motion of Mr. Owen,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State, Treasurer and Auditor, be required to report to this House, the result of the settlement made by them with the late State House commissioner, and all other acts and doings performed by them, as required by the "Act to provide for the settlement of the account of the State House commissioners," approved February 27, 1841; and as required by the "Act requiring the Secretary of State and State Treasurer, to take charge of the public buildings, and for other purposes," approved February 26, 1841.

Mr. Collins moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the standing hour of adjourning to each succeeding day, shall be nine o'clock, A. M., until otherwise ordered by the House; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Resolved, That three managers be appointed by the Speaker to attend to the investigation before the House, of the charges against the Honorable Thomas C. Browne.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, in making the late treaty with the British Government, all questions were not settled, and thereby the territory of Oregon is left in dispute, between the government of the United States and the government of Great Britain; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives be requested, to use their efforts to procure the adoption of the proper measures to establish the north-western boundary, and to settle the controversy between the United States government and the kingdom of Great Britain, relative to said boundary.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to forward copies of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to each of our Representatives in Congress.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Resolved, That the Auditor of Public Accounts inform this House what counties have not paid their full amount State revenue, under the old revenue system, and what counties under the present system, for the years 1839, 1840 and 1841, and whether suit has been commenced against the collectors of said defaulting counties, with such other information as he may deem important to this House, touching the above enquiries.

On motion of Mr. Dennis,

Resolved, That a select committee of nine, one from each judicial circuit, be instructed to change the manner of designating the time of holding courts in the several counties of this State, which is at present almost incomprehensible, into some mode which the people can easily comprehend, when included in the writs of courts.

Ordered, That Messrs. Dennis, Dullins, Arnold, Wheat, Spicer, Woodworth, Logan, Yates, and Ficklin be said committee.

Mr. Koerner moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That on Saturday next, at the hour of two o'clock, P. M., the two Houses will meet in the Hall of the House for the purpose of electing one associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of the Honorable Sidney Breese.

Mr. Hicks moved that the resolution be indefinitely postponed; when The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Koerner moved that the orders of the day be postponed, and the consideration of the resolution offered by him in the forenoon, proposing to go into the election of a Justice of the Supreme Court, in the second judicial circuit, be resumed; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The orders of the day were postponed, and on his motion, the following resolution adopted, viz:

Resolved, That the Speaker of the House be authorised to issue subpoenas for witnesses to appear at the bar of this House, to give evidence on the hearing of the charges preferred against the Honorable Thomas C. Browne. Said subpoenas to be issued upon the application of either the petitioners, or said Browne.

The following engrossed bills were read the third time, and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the counties of Mercer, St. Clair, Macoupin and other counties for the year 1843;"

A bill for "An act to alter the provisions of 'An act making provisions for organising and maintaining common schools,' approved February 26, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve their corporations;"

A bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago;"

A bill for "An act in relation to official bonds," and

A bill for "An act relative to probate justices of the peace."

Ordered, That the titles of the above bills be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

The engrossed bill for "An act to prevent fraudulent conveyances of property," was read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The title was amended so as to make it read

A bill for "An act relating to chancery practice."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

A bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties of this State', in force February 26, 1841," was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill was laid on the table.

A bill for "An act regulating the mode of commencing suits in the circuit court," was read the third time, when

Mr. Wheat moved to amend the bill by way of rider, as follows:

"The provisions of this act shall apply only to cases where the writ is issued in one county, and sent to another to be executed;" which was not agreed to.

On the question—"Shall the bill pass?" it was decided in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The orders of the day were postponed, and on his motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the President of the State Bank be requested to inform this House of the amount of notes of the State Bank and branches now in possession of said bank, including those signed but not issued, as well as those issued and taken up.

The following engrossed bills were read the third time and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for leasing the Saline reserves in Jackson county, and for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named;'"

A bill for "An act for the relief of the widow and heirs of Tyler D. Hewitt, deceased, late commissioner of Saline lands;"

A bill for "An act to compensate Henry Brown, for services rendered as State's Attorney in the seventh judicial circuit;"

A bill for "An act to provide for the collection of the revenue due from delinquents in the county of Gallatin for the year 1841."

Ordered, That the titles of the above bills be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of the said bills.

Senate bill for "An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State," approved February 26, 1841, was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Blair's amendment, as amended, to the bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvement," came up for consideration; when

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker, in pursuance of a resolution adopted on that subject on yesterday, appointed Messrs. Koerner, Logan, and Arnold as the committee on the part of the House, to conduct the examination in the matter of the petition of the Galena bar to remove the Hon. Thomas C. Browne from the office of associate Justice of the Supreme Court; when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 30, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Owen presented the petition of citizens of Hancock county, praying the passage of a law creating a State road in said county; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Owen, Ervin, and Smith of Hancock, be said committee.

Mr. Starr presented a remonstrance of citizens of Adams county, against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Wheat presented sundry petitions of citizens of Adams county, praying for a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Browning presented the memorial of Thomas C. King, asking compensation for services rendered the State in executing process; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Davis of Bond presented the proceedings of a large meeting of the citizens of Bond county, praying the passage and amendment of sundry laws on the subject of taxes, relief, State Bank, &c; which was read, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as cor-

rectly engrossed, a memorial to Congress, relative to pre-emption rights and donations of lands to actual settlers on the public lands.

A bill organising a school district in Vermilion county, and authorising the sale of school lands therein.

A bill for "An act to vacate the alleys in William H. Reed's, Thomas M. Lilley's and William Elliott's addition to the town of Olney, in Richland county.

Mr. Bibbens presented the petition and remonstrance of sundry citizens of La Salle county, praying for and remonstrating against the annexing of a part of said county to the county of Kendall; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Whitten presented the petition of sundry citizens of the counties of Montgomery, Fayette and Shelby, praying the organization of a new county, from parts of said counties; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Adams presented the petition of sundry citizens of Winnebago county, praying the incorporation of a company for the purpose of building a toll bridge across Rock river, at or near the north line of township forty-five north, range two east of the third principal meridian; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Adams presented the petition of the citizens of the town of Pecatonica, praying that a certain bridge across Rock river be declared a public highway, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Penn presented the petition of the county commissioners of St. Clair county, praying additional time for collecting the revenue of 1842, and for compelling assessors to act when appointed, under a penalty; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred a bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," reported the same back with sundry amendments; which were agreed to.

Mr. Woodworth moved to amend the bill by inserting in the second line of the eighth section, after the word "debtor," the words "by note or judgment," and after the word "interest," the words "and costs," and after the word "renewed," the words "or give;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Dollins moved to amend the bill by adding the following proviso, to the second section:

"Provided always, that before any specie shall be paid out under the provisions of this section, the person or persons who shall present the same, shall make an affidavit before said bank commissioner, that the notes presented by him, is not the property of, or held in trust or otherwise for any stockholder of said bank, and if any person shall swear falsely, in any of said affidavits, the same shall be deemed perjury, and be punished as such; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill was amended, by adding after the word "amount," in the 12th line of the second section, the following: "said certificate to be issued for such sums as will suit the convenience of the creditor of the bank."

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by adding after the word "bank," in the last line

of the second section, the following: "or for the redemption of any land purchased or to be purchased by the bank under execution."

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

The bill was amended by adding, "and said debtor shall have the privilege of making such payment and renewal in the county where his debt is now payable, and the bank shall appoint agents in the counties in which branches have been or are now located, for the purpose of carrying this section into effect."

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

The bill was amended by inserting after the word "out," in the second line in the second section, the words "all its," and by inserting after the word "Springfield," in the third line, the words "except fifteen thousand dollars."

Mr. Bone moved to amend the bill by adding after the word "certificate," in the twelfth line of the second section, the words "shall bear six per cent. per annum and;" which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Nesbit and Dollins, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Mannig, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stewart, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitecomb, and White—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernard, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, West, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—59.

Mr. Ames moved to amend the bill by adding the following section.

"SEC. 13. *Be it further enacted*, That this act shall be applicable to the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown;" when

The House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," coming up for consideration,

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Ames, it was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill was amended, by inserting after the words "may be," in the eleventh line of the fifth section, the following:

"*Provided*, that said commissioner shall be liable to the party aggrieved for any abuse of the powers hereby conferred upon him."

Mr. Dubois demanded the previous question.

The question—"Shall the main question be now put?" was decided in the affirmative.

The question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading," was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ames and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—104.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bell, Brinkley, Loy, and Marshall—5.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Turner, until Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr. White,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Dennis, until Friday next.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Hugh Rhodes and others, praying the passage of a law to confirm certain sales of real estate, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the petition; which was granted.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, Mr. Brinkley moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, To instruct the committee on Banks and Corporations to report back to this House, this evening, the bill authorizing the Governor to appoint bank commissioners; which was not agreed to.

The resolution offered by Mr. Koerner, some days since, proposing that the General Assembly, on Saturday next, at 2 o'clock, P. M., proceed to elect an associate Justice of the Supreme Court, in the place of the Honorable Sidney Breese, resigned, was then taken up; when

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the resolution by adding "Auditor of State, State Treasurer, and Attorney General;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Woodworth moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "an associate Justice," and inserting the words "two associate justi-

ces," and by adding after the word "Breese," the following: "and the Honorable Thomas Ford;" when

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 31, 1842.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a report from the canal commissioners; which,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Without reading, was referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the President of the State Bank, in answer to a call made upon him for information relative to the amount of notes now in possession of said bank; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Starr,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of sundry citizens of Pike and Adams counties, praying for the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Browning presented the sundry petitions of the citizens of Adams county, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of the counties of Adams and Hancock; which, without reading, were

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ames presented the petition of sundry citizens of Winnebago county, asking that the territory on which they reside, be attached to Boone county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ames presented the petition of sundry citizens of Boone county, asking for an addition to said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of William Frye, praying compensation for copying the assessor's books of Calhoun county, reported the same back to the House and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the petition of the Grand Master and other officers of the Grand Lodge of Free Masons, of this State, praying an act of incorporation, reported a bill for "An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Marshall, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, reported a bill for an act entitled "An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Greene of Clay,

The rules of the House were dispensed with, and the bill read the second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to exempt from execution certain property therein named," reported the same back to the House, with a recommendation that said bill ought not to become a law; when

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the same, by striking all out after the enacting clause, and inserting the following, viz:

"Sec. 1. There shall be exempted from execution, in addition to the articles now enumerated by law, property to the amount of one hundred dollars, and books composing the family library, to the amount of twenty-five dollars, the same to be selected by the defendant, and their value to be ascertained in the manner prescribed by law."

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, moved to amend the amendment by adding the following:

"And that creditor shall give to the debtor, if he does not own two sheep, to each member in his family, a number of sheep sufficient to make up the number, namely, two to each one of the debtor's family;" when the bill and proposed amendments were,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Nesbit, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Penn, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Wheat, Whitcomb, and Whitten—40.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bibbens, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Compton, Dollins, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Tackerberry, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—54.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition of the county commissioners of Lee county, praying the passage of a law to lease the vacant rooms in the court house of said county, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to authorize

the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain offices;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Bird Williamson, praying the passage of a law authorizing him to peddle goods in this State without license, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Cloud, from the select committee to which was referred two petitions of citizens of Springfield and Morgan county, praying the repeal of "An act relative to foreign insurance company's," reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance companies agencies established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, when

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the first section; when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House the report of John D. Whiteside, Fund Commissioner; which, without reading, was laid on the table and 300 copies ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Weatherford moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That a select committee of three be appointed to wait upon the resident clergy of the city of Springfield, and respectfully request them to officiate alternately, as it may suit their convenience, to open each morning session with prayer, during the remainder of the present session of the General Assembly.

Mr. Murphy demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call, were, on motion of Mr. Nesbit, dispensed with.

Mr. Murphy moved to amend the resolution by adding the following:

"And that each minister who officiates shall be allowed the same per diem allowance as the members of the Legislature."

Mr. Blair moved to amend the amendment by adding the following, viz;

"Which said services shall commence at 9 o'clock, A. M., of each day, so as not to interfere with the business hours of this House."

Mr. Brinkley moved that the resolution and proposed amendments be indefinitely postponed; which was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brinkley and Howard, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bell, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Dubois, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Gregg, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Koeiner, Kuykendall, Lang-

worthy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandevcer, West, Wheat, and Whitten—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Baithache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Browning, Bryant, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Glass, Gobble, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—54.

On motion of Mr. Ervin,

Resolved by the House of Representatives; That the committee on the Judiciary, be instructed to inquire particularly into the expediency of so amending the laws regulating the settlement of estates in this State, so as to retrench the expenses now necessarily incurred in the settlement of estates; and further, to inquire into the propriety of authorizing probate justices of the peace, to order the sale of real estate, when the said probate justice is satisfied that such sale of real estate, will be necessary to the speedy settlement of such estate; and further, to inquire into the propriety of authorizing probate justices of the peace to authorize executors and administrators to perfect titles to real estate, both to and from the estate under charge, and report to this House, by bill or otherwise, as early as practicable.

The consideration of the bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies, established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes,' " being resumed,

Mr. Jonas withdrew the amendment proposed by him this morning, and on his motion, the bill was referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation."

Mr. Browning moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

"*Whereas*, the petition of Charles S. Hempstead, Thomas Drummond, Thompson Campbell, and A. L. Holmes, has been presented to this House, representing that the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, one of the associate Justices of the Supreme Court of this State, is incompetent to the proper discharge of his office, and praying his removal therefrom: *And whereas*, by a resolution of this House, Tuesday, the 3d of January next, is appointed for the hearing of said charge: *And whereas*, it is the undeniable right of every American citizen, before being required to answer any charge affecting his life, liberty, reputation, livelihood or property, to be specifically notified of the fact or facts intended to be proved against him, in order that he may be prepared to explain, excuse or disprove the same; therefore,

Resolved, That the said petitioners be required to set down in writing, and file with the Clerk of this House, at or before noon on Monday next,

all the decisions, judicial acts, omissions and other main facts, which they intend attempting to prove against said Browne, on the investigation of their said charge against him; and that said Browne be furnished with a copy of said specifications, immediately on their filing.

Resolved, That said petitioners, or any one of them, be furnished with a copy of this preamble and resolution forthwith; which were agreed to.

Mr. Arnold moved the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the use of the Representatives Hall be permitted the Springfield Band, on Thursday evening next, for the purpose of giving a concert; when

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 2, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title, viz:

A bill for "An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues."

Mr. Murphy moved to take up the bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' in force February 26, 1841;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the bill by striking out the "1st section," and inserting the following, viz:

"That the county of Lake shall hereafter elect one Representative, and the county of Cook three Representatives, and both shall form one Senatorial district; the Senator from which shall be selected from the district without regard to residence;" when,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill and proposed amendment were referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Arnold, Murphy, and Collins be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The rules of the House were dispensed with, and the bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," was taken up, read the third time, and

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill was amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. 14. That the 31st section of 'An act to incorporate the subscribers to the Bank of the State of Illinois,' be, and the same is hereby repealed, and hereafter the laws now in force, or hereafter to be in force, regulating the mode of selling property for the collection of debts, shall apply to the debts due the said bank, the same as to those due to individuals."

Mr. Brinkley moved to amend the bill, by adding the following section, to wit:

"SEC. 15. And if the cashier, president, any of the directors, or any officer belonging to said bank, shall fail to comply with the provisions of this act, it shall be a violation of the whole of them, and they shall be imprisoned in the county jail, for a term not less than one month, and be fined in a sum of one hundred thousand dollars, to be recovered as in the case of debt, in the Sangamon circuit court; which sum to be levied and

made out of the lands, tenements, and the goods and chattels of any one of them, or the whole of them, and shall be constituted a part of the revenue of the State, and shall be deposited in the State Treasury and paid out as other revenue;" which,

On motion of Mr. Hanson,

Was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brinkley and Kuykendall.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Dutois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—83.

Those voting in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Gobble, Green of Greene, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McMillan, Nesbit, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Thompson, Vinyard, and Whitten—25.

Mr Vandever moved the following amendment to said bill:

"*Provided*, That the certificates issued under the provisions of this act to school commissioners of counties, and treasurers of incorporated townships, shall draw per cent. interest per annum, from their date until paid.

On motion of Mr. Murphy

The main question was ordered.

The question then arising on Mr. Vandever's amendment, it was not agreed to.

The bill was then passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ames and Weatherford.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Han-

cock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—107.

Those who voted in the negative, are,
Messrs. Ames, Bell, Brinkley, and Loy—4.

Mr. Ames moved to amend the title of said bill by striking out the words "to diminish the State debt and;" which was not agreed to.

Ordered, that the title be as first aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole House, on the bill for "An act to provide for the sale of property, connected with the internal improvement system, and for the payment of the public debt." and after some time spent therein; Mr. Cloud in the Chair, the committee rose, and

The Chairman reported that the committee of the whole House had had said bill under consideration and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same; which was not agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House, in the passage of a bill for an act entitled "An act, regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions," as amended by them; that is to say,

Strike out all after the "enacting clause," and insert the accompanying amendment in lieu thereof; also,

Strike out the title, and insert in place of it, the following:

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property,' approved February 27, 1841."

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

In compliance with requisitions of the preamble and resolution offered by Mr. Browning, on Saturday, calling upon the members of the Galena bar, to file a specification of their charges against the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, with the Clerk of this House, on or before noon of Monday, January 2, 1843. The following was filed with the Clerk at twelve o'clock, M. on this day, viz:

*To the House of Representatives
of the State of Illinois.*

The undersigned, beg leave most respectfully to submit the following, in reply to the resolution of the House, requiring them to file specifications against the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, one of the Justices of the Supreme Court.

The office of Judge was constituted for the benefit of the people, not for the purpose of furnishing the individual with the means of subsistence; and while we concur in the sentiments of the preamble to the resolution, we cannot admit that we are in the attitude of accusers against Judge Browne in "any charge affecting his life, liberty, livelihood or property." The only charge which we call upon the House to notice, involves nothing derogatory to his character, as a man of integrity, but is founded on the natural infirmity and feebleness of his intellect, and over which he has no control.

The preamble and resolution drawn up, as we understand, by the counsel of Judge Browne, was handed to us on Saturday evening, and at too late an hour, to comply strictly with the technical and special pleading which his counsel seems to desire. We cannot specify the numerous instances of the incompetency of Judge Browne, as shown in his decisions, without producing copies of the records in the various cases, which we have not now the time and opportunity to do.

The specifications in a case of this kind, cannot of course be as particular as in an indictment for crime. It is certainly to be presumed, that the House, in the proposed investigation, will be able to discriminate between a disposition to harrass and oppress Judge Browne, and a real desire to promote the public welfare.

We allege the following general and "main facts," which we expect to sustain by an abundance of competent testimony:

1st. That Judge Browne has not that natural strength of intellect which is indispensable to the proper discharge of the high and responsible duties which devolve upon him as Judge of the Supreme Court.

2d. That he has not the legal and literary learning requisite to the station he fills.

3d. That for the last twenty-four years, during which he has been upon the bench, he has seldom, if ever, aided, consulted or deliberated with the other Judges of the Supreme Court, on the great and important questions which came before them as the court of last resort, in the State, on account of his generally acknowledged inability to understand and elucidate any difficult question of law.

4th. That many of the opinions of the Supreme Court, purporting to be written and delivered by him, were not written by him, but were generally written or revised and corrected by others.

5th. That in the business in his circuit, his decisions have been the mere echo of some favorite attorney.

6th. That by nature, education and habit, he is wholly and absolutely unfit for a station upon the bench of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.

And the undersigned, without attempting, at this time, to cast the least reproach upon the character of Judge Browne, as a man, are firmly impressed with the conviction that few men of intelligence in Illinois, acquainted with the qualifications of Judge Browne, will seriously controvert the main positions here assumed.

We, therefore, present to the General Assembly, what we deem to be a great public grievance, with full confidence in their firmness and honor in the public service. All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. S. HEMPSTEAD,
THOS. DRUMMOND,
THOMPSON CAMPBELL,
A. L. HOLMES.

JANUARY 2, 1843.

When the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The special order of the day was dispensed with, and the bill for an act entitled "An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions," together with the amendments of the Senate, were taken up for consideration.

Mr. Weatherford demanded a call of the House; which was had.

Pending the call,

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to restrain the circulation of paper money;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the special order of the day for Monday next.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to re-locate First street, in the town of St. Charles;"

A bill for "An act relating to the recording or registering of conveyances, or other instruments in writing, executed out of this State and within the United States;"

A bill for "An act to incorporate the St. Charles Academy, in the county of Kane," and

A bill for "An act to punish the crime of incest."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Cloud, from the joint select committee appointed to draft and report joint rules for the government of the two Houses, to which was referred the report of a select committee on the subject of the rules of this House, reported the same back; when, on his motion, the report of the select committee was amended by striking out all of said report after the first clause, recommending the rules of 1840 and 1841, for the government of this House.

The report, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Further proceedings under the call of the House, were dispensed with, when the amendments of the Senate to the above mentioned bill were read.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Compton, Court-right, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Mc-

Clerland, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Nesbit Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Woodworth—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Mr. Murphy moved that the House adjourn; which was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClerland and Arnold, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, Madden, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—60.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClerland, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Starr, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—48.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 3, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. McClerland, from the committee on Finance, the rule of the House being dispensed with, introduced a bill for "An act to dispose of the public property, and to pay the public debt;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

And ordered to be printed for the use of the House

Mr. Arnold, the rule being dispensed with, introduced the following resolution; which was agreed to, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be requested to report to this House, a statement of the amount of the present indebtedness of the State, together with a statement of her available means, her present prospective resources, the probable amount per annum, which the current expenses of the State will require for the next five years. Also, the probable amount which can be raised under the present revenue system per annum, for five years to come; the expediency or in expediency of reducing the present rate of taxation, and the practicability of adopting some general system of finance, which, while it does not impose on the people oppressive taxation, will ultimately relieve the State from debt.

Mr. Nesbit introduced the petition of Philo Hale, Esq., and numerous other citizens of Macon county, praying for the passage of resolutions instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to urge the passage of a law donating a quantity of land to aid in the construction of the Northern Cross railroad; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Clerk:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision, to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Institute of the city of Chicago."

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The House resumed the consideration of the Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act to regulate the sale of property on judgments and executions;" when,

Mr Sharp moved the following amendment:

"*Provided further*, that the homestead and personal property, be taken last in execution;" which was not agreed to.

On the question—"Will the House concur with the Senate in their amendments to the bill?" it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Lawler, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—44.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart,

Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—66.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The resolution some days since offered by him, permitting the Springfield Band to occupy the Hall of the House of Representatives on Thursday evening, for the purpose of giving a concert, was taken up and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The hour of two o'clock, P. M. this day, was fixed upon as the time for proceeding with the investigation of the case of the Hon. Thomas C. Browne.

Mr. Dollins presented the petition of many citizens of Franklin county, praying the passage of a stay law on judgment and executions; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Jackson from Whiteside, presented the memorial of the bar of the counties of Lee and Whiteside, and the petition of citizens of the same counties, remonstrating against any proceedings of the General Assembly, against the Hon. Thomas C. Browne; which were read, and

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The rule being dispensed with, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the Clerk inform the Senate, that the members of the Galena circuit court, have caused their petition to be laid before this House, praying the removal from office, the Honorable Thomas C. Browne, upon the ground of incompetency, and and that the House of Representatives have taken the proper orders to have the testimony of the petitioners, and also the accused; who is to be heard by himself and counsel, and have passed an order to commence such investigation at two o'clock, P. M., on the third day of the present inst., and that the Senate is respectfully requested to be present in the Hall of the House of Representatives during the investigation of said case.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of B. W. Raymond, F. C. Sherman and others of Chicago, praying the donation of a lot on which to erect a Mechanics' Hall; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Norris presented the petition of sundry citizens of Vermilion county, praying for a division of said county; which was, without reading, referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Owen presented the petition of Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby, praying the passage of a law, authorising them to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Owen, Haley and Starne be said committee.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the petition of citizens of White county, praying a change of the law as to the sale of property under execution, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was re-

ferred the petition of the trustees of Shilo meeting house of St. Clair county, reported a bill for "An act to exempt the Shilo meeting house tract from taxation;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act to re-locate a part of a State road from Benton, in Franklin county, to Equality, in Gallatin county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Thomas Cox, reported a bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Cox;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Resolved by the General Assembly, That the two Houses meet in the Hall of the House on Saturday, the seventh inst., at two o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing an Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer and Attorney General.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Hicks, from the select committee of nine to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act re-organising the judiciary of the State of Illinois,'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The first section of the bill was amended by striking out the word "one," and inserting the word "three," and by inserting before the word "ninth," the words "second, seventh, and."

Mr. Ames called for the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the negative; when

House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to appoint three managers on their part to attend to the examination of testimony in the case of the Hon. Thomas C. Browne.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Green of Greene,
Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Marshall, until Saturday next.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The following rules were adopted for the government of the House in the examination of the charges preferred against Thomas C. Browne, in the memorial of Charles S. Hempstead and others, members of the Gale-na bar, viz:

1st. There shall be appointed by the Speaker three members of this House, as examiners, whose duty it shall be to conduct the examination of all witnesses, both for and against the accused.

2d. Any member may propound questions to any witness, after the examiners have ceased to examine such witness; which question shall be put by the examiners, on motion of the member asking the question.

3d. If any question shall be put by the examiners or any member, and the same shall be objected to, either by the witness or any member of the House, the same shall be decided by the Chair, subject to an appeal to the committee.

4th. Previous to entering upon the examination, the House shall resolve itself into committee of the whole House; the witnesses shall be called to the bar, one at a time, sworn and examined, and immediately leave the House; also, on his motion,

Resolved, That the first and second rule adopted by the House, for the government of the examination of witnesses in the case of the Honorable Thomas C. Browne, shall not be held to extend to the counsel of the petitioners and the defendant; but such counsel shall be at liberty to ask any question, subject to legal objections.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Resolved, That the Clerk wait upon the Senate, and inform them that the House is in readiness to receive them, in order to proceed with the investigation of certain charges preferred against Thomas C. Browne, an associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and that he be instructed to ask them an answer respecting their willingness to join the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate, to inform the House that the Senate declines to attend in the Hall of the House, and participate in the examination of the charges preferred against the Honorable Thomas C. Browne.

I am also directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to increase the number of justices of the peace, in the justice's district therein named;"

A bill for "An act to fix the tenure of certain officers," and

A bill for "An act regulating mill-dams in Vermilion county."

I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred with them in the adoption of the resolution having for its object the appointment of a committee to examine into the conduct of Doctor Barret and James Barret, late Fund Commissioner, and Agent, &c. &c.; and

Messrs. Dougherty and Smith are the committee on the part of the Senate.

The Senate have also concurred with the House of Representatives in their amendment to the Senate's resolution, requiring the Finance com-

mittees of the two Houses to examine the offices of the Auditor and Treasurer.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, for the purpose of investigating the charges preferred against the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, by Charles S. Hempstead, and other members of the Galena bar; Mr. Ficklin in the Chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; which was granted; when

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Owen, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of Middletown precinct, praying the passage of a law, granting an additional justice of the peace and constable in said precinct, reported a bill for "An act authorising an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middletown precinct, in McDonough county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title.

Mr. Starne moved the indefinite postponement of the bill; which was not agreed to; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Mitchell,

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House be requested to appoint a select committee of five, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the practicability of reducing and regulating the fees of all county officers; and also, instituting a more economical system of assessing property, and collecting taxes, and report to this House.

Ordered, That Messrs. Mitchell, Sharp, Simms, Cochran, and Smith of Crawford be that committee.

Mr. Koerner moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance, be instructed to inquire into the propriety of so altering the present revenue law, so as to limit the tax, to be assessed by the county commissioners' court, to one-third per cent., upon every hundred dollars worth of real or personal property.

Also, that the said committee be instructed to inquire into the propriety of collecting the revenue of 1842 in gold and silver, and for passing a law directing the collectors to collect but one-half of the assessment for the year 1842.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Resolved, That in the investigation of the case of the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, before this House, no person shall be allowed to participate in debate but the said Thomas C. Browne, and members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The following preamble and resolutions were agreed to, viz:

Whereas, it has been the settled policy of the Government of the Uni-

ted States, in the exercise of a beneficent feeling, to secure by pre-emption right, those pioneers of the newly settled portions of our country, who had toiled to make themselves homes upon the unoccupied and unappropriated lands of the Government:

And whereas, The act of Congress entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sale of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights," approved September 4, 1841, while professing to protect the rights of the actual settler, has imposed so many burthens upon him, by requiring him to file his application with the Register of the Land Office of the proper district, describing the land settled upon, within thirty days next after the date of his settlement, or if made prior to the passage of said act, then within three months after the same became a law, and by requiring fees to be paid to the land officers, and by requiring proof to be made agreeably to such rules, as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, and by requiring the whole of the purchase money to be paid within twelve months after the date of settlement, if made subsequent, and within twelve months after said law went in force, if made prior to the passage thereof, and by denying pre-emption to such as had opened a farm, but not built a house, as to render said law a curse rather than a blessing, to the great mass of community in the new States:

And whereas, during the present unparalleled scarcity of money, it is next to impossible for the poor man, however industrious he may be, to accumulate by his own labor, within twelve months, a sufficient sum of money to enter him a home; while the application describing the land, filed in the proper office, remains as an unerring directory to guide the ruthless speculator to the little home of the occupant:

And whereas, by the tenth section of the act aforesaid, an invidious distinction is made between the citizen and the alien who has not filed his declaration under the naturalization laws of the United States, so as to deny to the latter any pre-emption right whatever, though he may be a native of the land of De Kalb, Pulaski, of Montgomery, or of Lafayette:

And whereas, neither those who furnished us with men and money in our revolutionary struggle, or their descendants, should be denied the privilege of a home in our country, and a participation in the laws of the land, in common with our own citizens:

And whereas, a liberal policy should be pursued by our government, so as to secure the ardent but oppressed lover of liberty throughout the world, a home and an asylum in the land of Washington:

And whereas, it is unjust in principle, to impose taxes and other burthens of government upon aliens, in common with native born citizens, while we deny them equal rights and privileges under our laws:

And whereas, the price of our public lands, that have long been in market, should be so reduced as to place it within the power of every industrious man, however poor he may be, to secure a home for himself and family; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That our Senators in Congress be, and they are hereby instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their utmost exertions, to procure the passage of a permanent pre-emption law, (embracing not the shadow merely, but the substance) which will secure to the actual settler with as little cost as possible, for a term of years, a home upon any unoccupied

and unappropriated tract of government land, on which he may open a farm or build a dwelling house.

Resolved, That such restrictions and provisions be incorporated in said law, as will prevent land speculators and others from entering any tract occupied as aforesaid, without having first purchased the improvement of the proper owner.

Resolved, That said law repudiates all invidious distinctions made between aliens and native born citizens, so far as procuring a home in our country, and an interest in our soil is concerned.

Resolved, That the Governor be and he is hereby requested to forward a copy of this preamble and resolutions to each of our members in Congress.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed to inquire into the expediency of electing assessors of property, and collectors of revenue, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Ordered, That Messrs. Thompson, Bryant, Stockton, Courtright, and Hanson be said committee.

On motion of Mr. Bryant,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Secretary of State be instructed to procure a manuscript copy of the historical essay read by the Hon. Sidney Erese in the Senate Chamber, and that the said Secretary be further instructed to have the same neatly bound and deposited in the public library, under his care.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Resolved, That the door-keepers be required to keep without the bar, all persons not entitled to seats on this floor at all times, but especially during the trial of Judge Browne, and that they endeavor to suppress all conversation in the lobby.

Mr. Ames offered for adoption the following rules, viz:

RULE — No amendment lost in committee of the whole, shall be renewed in the House.

Hereafter the standing hour of adjournment shall be half after 9 o'clock, A. M., and one hour of the morning session, after petitions are received and disposed of, shall be devoted to the reception of bills; read the first time, read the second time by the title, and referred, or engrossed, as the case may be; which were not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lockard,

The following preamble and resolution were agreed to, viz:

Whereas, by the operation of our present law regulating county commissioners' courts in the several counties in this State is somewhat defective, inasmuch as the densely populated parts of some counties of this State have the power over the weaker parts in electing their Representatives in said courts; therefore, for the more equal distribution of said Representatives in each county in this State,

Resolved, That the committee on Counties be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the laws regulating county commissioners' courts in this State, as to divide each county into three districts, called commissioners' districts, and that one of said commissioners shall hereaf-

ter be elected in each district, as vacancies may happen, by the expiration of the term of office of the present commissioners; with instructions to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted, viz:

Whereas, according to the mode prescribed by law for taking lists of taxable property in the several counties in this State, it has been found to be very expensive and dissatisfactory to the people; therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of having the taxable property listed by the several justices of the peace in their respective districts, and return the same to the clerk of the county commissioners' court, at such stated time as said committee may think most expedient; and as a compensation for their services, said justices of the peace be exempt from working on roads, or rendering militia service, unless in time of war; and that they report by bill or otherwise.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, ours is a government designed to be one of equal laws, giving protection not to the few and overlooking the many, but at all times it is the policy of our government to leave the energies of our citizens free to be employed in whatever business which, to them, may seem for their interest and happiness; *And whereas*, we believe it to be the true construction of the United States Constitution, that a tariff of duties on imported articles is only authorised to be laid with a view to raise a sufficient revenue to defray the expenses of an economical administration, and not for surplus or distribution; and believing that the present tariff law is unequal in its operation, is designed to build up some branches of industry to the disparagement of others, and for these and other reasons, is partial, unjust and anti-democratic; therefore, be it

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their endeavors to obtain a modification of the same, so that it may favor, if possible, all branches of industry alike; and secure an adequate revenue for the wants of the government.

Resolved, That direct taxation to supply the wants of the general government, is, at this time, inexpedient.

Resolved, That the repeal of the independent treasury law was precipitate, unwise, and injurious to the public interests; and that the re-establishment of the independent treasury, by law, would, in our opinion, revive the public credit, and restore public confidence.

Resolved, That we consider a Bank of the United States, as formerly chartered by Congress, to be unconstitutional and inexpedient, and ought not again to be re-established.

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to each of our members in Congress.

In the adoption of which preamble and resolutions, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The House again resolved itself into committee of the whole House, upon the investigation of the charges preferred against Judge Thomas C. Browne,

Mr. Ficklin in the chair; and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; which was granted.

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The House again resolved itself into committee of the whole House, on the investigation of the charges preferred by members of the Galena bar against the Hon. Thomas C. Browne,

Mr. Ficklin in the chair; and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of said charges; which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Murphy and Arnold, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Flanders, Glass, Green of Greene, Hickman, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, McClernand, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Vinyard, and Yates—40.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hinton, Hick, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—72!

Mr. Koerner moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the charges made against the Honorable Thomas C. Browne shall be made the special order of the day for to-morrow; and that, as an additional rule which shall govern the proceedings in the investigation, questions as to the competency of testimony shall in all cases be decided without debate.

Mr. Browning demanded a division of the question.

The question was then taken on the first branch of the resolution, and agreed to.

The question was taken on the last branch of said resolution, and decided in the negative by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Weatherford and McClernand.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Bryant, Graves, Hannaford, Koerner, Kuykendall, McMillan, Murphy, Sharp, Simms, Spicer, Stewart, and Whitten—13.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Bussey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—94.

Mr. Spicer moved that the House reconsider its vote taken yesterday on the adoption of a resolution prohibiting all persons from participating in debate in the investigation of the case of the Hon. Thomas C. Browne, except said Browne and members of this House; when,

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 5, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kuykendall, on leave, moved for adoption, the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That this House, when in committee of the whole, on the case of the Hon. Thomas C. Brown, will hear all the evidence, both for and against the respondent, without regard to technical rules, until otherwise ordered by the House.

Mr. McClermand moved to amend the resolution by adding the following, viz:

Provided, That the opinions of witnesses shall not be substituted for facts."

Mr. Pickering moved that the resolution and proposed amendment be laid on the table; which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the proposed amendment, it was agreed to by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClermand and Logan, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Bussey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard,

Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stockton, Tackeberry, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wilson, Woodworth and Yates—76.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Blair, Bryant, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dougherty, Ficklin, Flanders, Hannaford, Hatch, Koerner, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Davies, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Simms, Stewart, Thompson, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten and Mr. Speaker—33.

The resolution as amended was then agreed to.

Mr. Graves presented the memorial of sundry citizens of Stephenson county, remonstrating against the removal of the Honorable Thomas C. Browne from office; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Murphy presented the petition of Michael Kennedy of La Salle, praying that he may be refunded money advanced to the Fund Commissioner on behalf of the State; which was read, and referred to the joint select committee appointed to examine into the affairs of the late and present Fund Commissioners.

Mr. Dollins presented the petition of sundry citizens of Franklin county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the memorial of sundry citizens of Whiteside, remonstrating against the removal of Judge Browne from office; which was read, and referred to the committee of the whole House on the charges preferred against Judge Browne.

On motion of Mr. Brown, of Pike,

The petition of sundry persons praying the vacation of the plat of the town of Reedfield, was taken up, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Brown of Pike, Browning and Blair, be that committee.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middletown precinct in McDonough county."

A bill for "An act to re-locate a part of the State road from Benton in Franklin county to Equality in Gallatin county."

A bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Cox."

A bill for "An act to exempt the Shilo meeting house tract from taxation;" when,

On motion, of Mr. Blair,

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole House, on the charges preferred by the Galena bar against the Honorable Thomas C. Browne.

Mr. Ficklin in the chair; and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again, which was granted; when,

The House adjourned till 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The House again resolved itself into committee of the whole House, on the matter of complaint against Judge Browne,

Mr. Ficklin in the chair; when after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the complaint against Judge Browne; which was granted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have receded from the amendment made by them to the bill from the House for "An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions," and have concurred with the House in the passage of the bill.

They have also passed a bill for "An act legalizing certain records in Greene county, and authorizing Recorders to appoint deputies in certain cases."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The House then took up the bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act organizing the judiciary of the State of Illinois.'"

Mr. Cloud moved to amend the bill so as to make it read, "elect one Supreme Judge and two Circuit Judges."

Which was not agreed to.

House adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported as correctly enrolled, a bill for an act, entitled "An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions."

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Resolved, That the door keeper be instructed to ventilate this Hall by sliding down the upper tier of windows, and raising the lower ones, so as to secure a proper temperature.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of sundry citizens of Pike and Adams counties for the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Lawler presented the petition of citizens of White county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Fowler presented the petition of sundry citizens of the counties of Macon, Shelby and Coles, praying the organization of a new county from parts of said counties; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee composed of the members of the counties named in the petition.

Ordered, That Messrs. Fowler, Ficklin, Hanson, Howard and Nesbit, be that committee.

Mr. Nesbit presented the petition of citizens of the county of Macon, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of the counties of Macon, Shelby and Coles; which was, without reading, referred to the same select committee to which were this morning referred petitions of like import.

Mr. Greene of Clay presented the petition of citizens of Clay county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the building of a certain mill dam therein named; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Greene of Clay, Loy and West, be that committee.

Mr. Howard presented the petition of sundry citizens of Shelby county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Haley presented the petition of sundry citizens of Warren county, praying the appointment of the superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Cushman presented the petition of Edward B. Talcott, relative to the title of a part of a canal lot in the city of Chicago; which was read, and

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Woodworth presented the petition of Andrew Armstrong, praying a divorce; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Hicks,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Ewing.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Hambaugh.

Mr. Dougherty presented the memorial of canal contractors, praying relief; which was, without reading,

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Ficklin moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Public Printer delay all other State printing, till he shall have printed five thousand copies, for distribution, of the law regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions, and that he execute said printing at as early a day as it may be practicable to perform the same, as soon as the same is approved by the Council of Revision.

Mr. Logan, moved to strike out 5,000 copies, and insert 2,000; which was not agreed to.

The resolution was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shirley,

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed, to inquire into the expediency of repealing the several preambles and resolutions heretofore adopted by the General Assembly of this State, in regard to the location and continuation of the Cumberland road west of Vandalia, and report thereon to this House.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shirely, Koerner, Blakeman, Dougherty and Ficklin, be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted, viz:

Whereas, It is the duty of all governments, and more especially of such as acknowledge the sovereignty of the people, to afford all proper encouragement and protection to every department of human industry: *whereas*, a large proportion of the surplus products of the great west, and the various articles received in exchange, find their respective places of destination by way of the Mississippi river and its tributaries: *whereas*, it appears from the most accurate information which can be obtained that the value of the property lost during the last four years, in its transportation on the waters of the west, exclusively of hundreds of valuable lives, has amounted to nearly one million of dollars per annum, of which about one half has been occasioned by snags, sawyers, or other obstructions in those waters, and that the losses thus sustained, within the last eighteen months have averaged one fifth of the steamboats engaged in the trade: *and whereas*, this immense loss, sustained almost exclusively by a people whose capital consists chiefly in persevering industry and indomitable enterprise, is calculated not only to keep down their energies but also to prevent them from reaping the numerous advantages held out to them by an exuberant soil, a healthful climate, and unequalled commercial facilities; therefore,

Be it resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their best exertions to procure the passage of an act providing for the removal of the obstructions in the navigation of the western rivers, either by means of snag boats or otherwise, as to the wisdom of Congress shall seem best calculated to secure an object of the highest importance to the people of this and the other western States and Territories.

Resolved, That the Governor of this State be respectfully requested to forward a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and also copies to the Governors of the different States and Territories interested in the navigation of the western waters.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, The county of Sangamon has deeded to the State the public square in Springfield, and has taken down the Court House of said county, to make room for the State House, and the citizens of Springfield have paid upwards of thirty-three thousand dollars towards the building of the State House, and are now sued on their bond for \$16,000

more: *And whereas*, there is, on the first floor of the State House, a room unfinished and unoccupied, and not needed for any of the public offices. Therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the county commissioners of Sangamon county be permitted to fit up the room between the Supreme Court room and the clerk's offices of said court, and use the same for holding the circuit and county commissioners' courts of said county, until the Legislature shall order otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be tendered to M. B. Denman, Esq. for the delivery of a lecture on temperance at candle-lighting this evening.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House of Representatives in the adoption of its resolution, on the subject of printing the law regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions, as amended by them, as follows:

Strike out "five" and insert "two" in lieu of it.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am further directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have adopted the following preamble and resolutions; in the adoption of which they ask the concurrence of the House, to-wit:

Whereas, The State Treasurer has ceased to deposite the revenue of the State in the State Bank of Illinois: *and whereas*, said Treasurer has in his possession near thirty thousand dollars of the revenue, and has no safe place to keep the same: *and whereas*, there is a fire proof vault in the State House, which only requires shutters of suitable strength to render it a safe place of deposite for said Treasurer to make his deposites in. Therefore,

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That the Secretary of State is hereby required to procure shutters of suitable strength to be made for the fire proof vault in the State House, that said vault may be used as a place of deposite of the revenue of the State.

Resolved, That said Secretary be further required to finish the interior of said vault, for the uses mentioned in the first resolution.

The Senate have also passed a bill for "An act to incorporate the Peoria Water Company."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Scott moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, the great embarrassment of the people of the State of Illinois, and the great scarcity of money, render it exceedingly burdensome for the people to pay large salaries: *And whereas*, by the failure of the banks, and the depreciation of all bank paper in this State, we are compelled to collect the taxes in gold and silver or its equivalent: *And whereas*, the Legislature have it in contemplation to reduce the salaries of all the officers of this State, within their reach: *And whereas*, the Judges of the Supreme Court now receive a salary disproportioned to the hard-

ness of the times and scarcity of money, and which cannot be reduced during their continuance in office. Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Supreme Justice and his associates of the State of Illinois be and they are hereby respectfully requested to resign their offices, and to place it in the power of the present Legislature to regulate their salaries upon an equitable plan.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the resolution, by striking out all after the word, "requested," and insert "consent to such a reduction of their salaries as may be consistent with the condition of the country and the scarcity of money."

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House, a communication from the Auditor of Public Accounts, in compliance with a resolution of this House, passed some days previous, setting forth the counties that have failed to pay their portion of the State revenue under the old and present revenue system; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

The Senate bill for "An act to authorize the Governor to appoint State's Attorneys," coming up for consideration,

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. McMillan,

It was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Glass, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Busey, McMillan, Nesbit and Sharp—5.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Davies, Madden, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—101.

Mr. Sharp moved to amend the bill, by striking out of the first section the words, "appointed by the Governor," and insert "elected by the people, one in each county;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the bill by striking out the second section, and inserting the following, viz:

“SEC. 2. That the Governor shall nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, appoint a State’s Attorney for each judicial district in this State, whose tenure of office shall continue until the first Monday of August, in the year 1844.

SEC. 3. An election shall be held in each judicial district in this State, on the first Monday in August in the year 1844, and every two years thereafter, for the election of State’s Attorneys for the several judicial districts. The tenure of office of the said attorneys shall continue for two years next after their election, and until their successors shall be elected and qualified.

Mr. Brinkley moved to amend the amendment, so as to make it read, “that the State’s Attorneys shall be elected by the General Assembly;” which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. McClernand, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Miller, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Hicks, Kuykendall, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Miller, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vinyard, —11.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—97.

On the question—“Shall the bill be read the third time?” it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Kuykendall and Dougherty, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Nesbit, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Stewart, Stockton, West, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Den-

nis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Green of Clay, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, Madden, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—60.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The House took up the amendment of the Senate to the resolution of the House proposing the printing of 5000 copies of the "Act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions;" which was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The bill for "An act to amend 'An act to organize the Judiciary of the State of Illinois,'" coming up for consideration,

Mr. Hicks demanded a call of the House; and after sometime spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Koerner moved the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading?" it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Hicks and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Vinyard, West, and Yates—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—66.

When the House adjourned.

SATUADAY, JANUARY 7, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Lockard asked and obtained leave to withdraw the petition of Alexander McWilliams and others, praying for a law to authorize William

B. Mairs, administrator of Frederick Boyers deceased, to make a deed to certain lands therein named.

Mr. Ames presented the petition of sundry citizens of Boone county, praying the Legislature not to pass a stay law, at its present session, nor to reduce the present rate of taxes; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Jonas presented the petition of sundry citizens of Adams county, praying a conditional division of said county; which, without reading, was Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hanson presented a petition of sundry citizens of Coles county, praying for the formation of a new county, and remonstrating against the division of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Lawler presented the petition of sundry citizens of White and Edwards counties, praying the passage of a law authorizing Price H. Howell and John Hodgson to erect a mill dam across the Little Wabash river in the county of White; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Pickering,

Referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Lawler, Pickering, Loy, Hick, and Shirley, be that committee.

Mr. Norris presented the remonstrance of sundry citizens of Vermilion county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Norris presented the petition of sundry citizens of Vermilion county, praying for a division of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Lawler presented the remonstrance of citizens of White county, remonstrating against the passage of any law interfering with contracts; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Brinkley moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, the election for President and Vice President of the United States of America will come on in November, before our next General Assembly, and the State of Illinois is entitled to nine electoral votes for President and Vice President; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Legislature shall make some provisions for an election, to be held in each Congressional district, for one elector in each district, to be elected for each party, in the same mode and manner, and at the same time of electing the representatives to Congress, and then the seven elect shall nominate and elect the other two for each party, as this General Assembly shall direct; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Gregg, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, reported a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt."

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the first and second time by its title, and re-committed to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, with instructions to have 500 copies printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Cushman, from the committee on Finance, which, in connection with the committee on Finance of the Senate, was, by a joint resolution of the General Assembly, required to examine the manner in which the offices of Auditor of Public Accounts and State Treasurer have been kept for the last two years, made a report on that subject; which was read, as follows, to wit:

The committee on Finance, who were instructed to examine into the present condition, as well as the previous management of the offices of the Auditor of Public Accounts and Treasurer, in conjunction with the Finance committee of the other House, have made such examination, and beg leave to report.

Your committee find no cause of complaint in the previous management of either office, and believe that the administration of both offices has been in strict conformity to the existing law. But in consequence of the State Bank of Illinois being no longer used as a deposite office for the safe keeping of the moneys of the State, it will be necessary that an entire change should be made of the present system in practice in the Treasury department.

Your committee would recommend, therefore, that the Auditor of Public Accounts, together with the Treasurer, be requested to furnish the House with a plan regulating the further government of the Treasury department, in such manner as the two officers will act as a check on each in all business that the Treasurer is called to act with the Auditor. Also to suggest what additional furniture will be required for the use of the office, for the security of the revenues that will in future come into and remain in the hands of the Treasurer, together with the books, papers, &c., belonging to said office.

Your committee, during the examination, were made acquainted with a fraud practiced upon the State Bank of Illinois, during last summer, by the deposite of forged Auditor's Warrants in said bank, to the amount of \$3,309 27. The committee would state that they have examined this matter and ascertained the following facts:

The State Bank of Illinois was at that time the depository of all public money, and acting in part as the Treasury of the State, under the provisions of law. The money, or warrants, which were paid to the Treasurer, were deposited in the State Bank, for which he received from the State Bank, certificates of deposite. Some time last summer, the Treasurer, in consequence of the sickness of his wife, was prevented, for some time, from making the deposits in said bank in person, and called upon Milton H. Wash, a clerk in the Auditor's office, and who had been, for a number of years, enjoying the greatest confidence of the late and present Auditors, and of fair and irreproachable standing in the community, to perform the service for him. The said Wash promptly returned the certificates of deposite for all the money or warrants deposited by him in the bank, and consequently every thing appeared fair on the Treasurer's books.

The Auditor, however, observing more than ordinary extravagance in his style of living, became apprehensive that all was not right, and directed him to withdraw from his office, and in conjunction with the Treasurer, made a thorough examination. In going through this examination, they detected a forged warrant for \$1,161, among the files of warrants returned by the bank in its quarterly report. This gave them a clue to the whole, and they found the whole amount of money abstracted in going from the State House to the bank, and for which said Wash had substituted warrants that were forged to the amount of \$3,309 27.

The following is a list of the warrants forged, all of which, except one were afterwards destroyed by said Wash:

Warrant, No. 7142	-	-	-	-	-	-	\$297 00
“ “ 6637	-	-	-	-	-	-	969 27
“ “ 6804	-	-	-	-	-	-	882 00
“ “ 7741	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,161 00

\$3,309 27

Before, however, this transaction was fully brought to light, the said Wash fled, and an indictment, as this committee is informed, is now pending against him in the Sangamon circuit court for forgery. The committee are of opinion that no blame can possibly attach to either the Auditor or Treasurer of State; no human foresight or prudence could guard against an act of base forgery; to intrust a man hitherto of the fairest standing in community, and who had acted in various offices of this State, for a number of years, as a confidential clerk, to the entire satisfaction of his employers, with the bare transportation of money, was certainly no act on the part of the Treasurer deserving of blame. The committee are of opinion, that if any liability attaches, it must rest on the bank, which, for a valuable consideration, performed in part the office of public Treasurer for the State: by proper vigilance on the part of its officers, the forged warrants might have been detected, and of course the scheme of fraud would have failed. The warrant which was not destroyed has been examined by part of the committee, and they have found the signatures upon comparing them with the hand writing of the officers to be a glaring forgery. Your committee think the Auditor and Treasurer deserve commendation for the promptness with which they acted when their suspicions became aroused, and for their speedy interposition to prevent further fraud.

It is hoped that by a proper organization of the Treasury, which will become necessary by dispensing with the use of the bank, such checks may be provided as will place it beyond the reach of human ingenuity to practice any fraud on the department. The Auditor and Treasurer have saved from the property of Wash an amount which, when rendered fully available, will nearly reimburse the bank, which alone as the depository of the public treasure, and upon legal principles, is liable for the loss occasioned by the forgery.

Resolved, That the Auditor of Public Accounts and State Treasurer be requested to furnish this House with a plan for the future government of the Treasury department; also, a list of additional furniture wanted to carry into effect the plan proposed by them, together with an estimate of the probable cost of the same.

Mr. Logan moved the following resolution in reference to said report, viz:

Resolved, That the the report from the committee on Finance, in relation to the offices of Auditor and Treasurer, be referred to a select committee, with instructions to ascertain and report, whether the Auditor and Treasurer have at any time entrusted the business of both offices to the same clerk; whether whilst they were absent from their offices, they authorised M. H. Wash to sign their names to warrants, or whether they or either of them left warrants, signed by them but blank, with authority to said Wash to fill them up; whether warrants were not frequently signed by said Wash in the ordinary course of business, paid by the bank, with the knowledge and acquiescence of said officers.

Mr. Yates moved to amend the same by striking out "select committee," and insert "committee on Finance;" which was not agreed to,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The resolution was amended so as to strike out all relating to the reference of the report to a select committee, and make the resolution read, so as to refer the subject of inquiry embraced in said resolution, to the proposed select committee directed to report in conformity with the above instructions.

The resolution as amended was then agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Koerner, and Dougherty be said committee.

The resolution of the committee on Finance was then agreed to, and the report of the committee,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed bills of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Utica to Killsa's landing, in Fulton county;"

A bill for "An act to confine justices of the peace to their respective districts;"

A bill for "An act to change the names of Lavinia Joliff and Hannah Clark;"

A bill for "An act for the location of a State road in the counties of Monroe and St. Clair;" and

A bill for "An act relative to the roof of the State House."

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates," approved January 23, 1829; which was read, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was amended in the third section, by inserting before the word "estate," the word "real."

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "one year," and inserting "two years," which was not agreed to; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, as amended, to the bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvement," coming up for consideration, after being at some length debated, further action on it was suspended to enable Mr. Bone to introduce the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be tendered M. B. Denman, Esq., of Philadelphia, at 7 o'clock, P. M. of this day, to deliver a lecture on temperance.

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the resolution by adding the following, which was accepted as a modification, viz:

Resolved, That the Hall of the House of Representatives shall be subject to the use of all the officers of government, the citizens of Springfield, and the visitors of said city, on the evening of the ninth January, for the celebration of the battle of New Orleans.

A division of the question was demanded.

The question arising on the first branch of the resolution, it was agreed to by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Simms.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hananford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Mannig, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, White, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—86.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Compton, Fowler, Koerner, McMillan, Norris, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, Vance, and West—11.

The question then arising on the second branch of the resolution, it was agreed to.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Jonas, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend the revenue laws, and for other purposes;" which, on motion, was read the first and second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House adjourned, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Dollins.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman,

Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—69.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Brinkley, Browning, Canady, Compton, Dollins, Dubois, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Green of Clay, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, and White—27.

MONDAY, JANUARY 9, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of sundry citizens of Pike county, praying for the organization of a new county, out of parts of Pike and Adams counties; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Murphy presented the memorial of Charles McCallister and H. G. Stebbins of the city of New York, praying relief; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the joint select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of certain fund commissioners.

Mr. Dubois presented the petition of the trustees and other inhabitants of township four north, range ten west, concerning the reduction of interest on school notes; which was, without reading, referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bone until Wednesday next.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of Daniel B. Bush, praying the General Assembly to pass a law to refund to him the taxes paid by him on a certain tract of land therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Koerner presented the remonstrance of five hundred and seventy-five citizens of St. Clair county, against the passage of any stay, stop, or valuation law; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of sundry citizens of Will county, praying the reduction of interest on debts due the school fundst o ten per cent.; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the joint select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the fund commissioners have power to send for persons and papers, and to swear witnesses.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Sharp, leave being granted,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the President of the Canal Board be requested to lay before this House at as early a period as possible, the following information: the whole number of persons employed in and about the canal office since he took charge of the same; the amount of labor performed by, and compensation allowed to, each person so employed.

Mr. Aldrich presented the memorial of G. Douglass and seventy-seven others, in relation to the penitentiary at Alton; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Davis of Williamson presented the petition of sundry citizens of Williamson county, requesting a privilege for Henry H. Singleton to build a mill on Crab Orchard creek; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Davis of Williamson, Dollins and Burklow be said committee.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on State Roads, reported a bill for "An act confirming certain ferry privileges to the county of Bureau;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act to authorise Elijah D. Ewing to convey real estate;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Andrus, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock River Seminary in Ogle county, Illinois;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which heretofore had been referred a resolution requiring said committee to inquire into the expediency of making applicants for the establishment or re-location of roads, pay the expenses of reviewing and surveying, reported the same back, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on State Roads, reported a bill for "An act to amend 'An act to provide for the establishment of ferries, toll bridges and turnpike roads,' approved February 12, 1827;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act to regulate proceedings by attachments before justices of the peace,'" approved February 27, 1837, reported the same back with amendments; which were agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a resolution requiring that committee to inquire into the expediency of changing the laws in relation to the settlement of estates, &c., reported the same back, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to provide for the sale of public property, and the payment of the public debt," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were read and agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill as amended was then, for the present, laid on the table.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act entitled 'An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county,'" reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and, on his motion, the bill for the present was laid on the table.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Andrew Armstrong, praying the passage of a law granting him a divorce, made the following report, viz:

That said petitioner prays to be divorced from his wife, because, as he alleges, she has committed adultery since the marriage, and offered evidence to sustain the charge. Your committee entertain the opinion that marriage is a civil contract by which each party incurs obligations, and acquires the rights of husband and wife respectively, according to the laws of the land. That should the Legislature undertake to dissolve this contract, or release either party, unless it appears that the other has violated the contract on his or her part, it would impair the obligation of the contract, and so violate the Constitution of the United States, and of this State.

But the petitioner in this case alleges that his wife has so violated the contract by the act of adultery; your committee think that this is a fact which the Legislature cannot properly inquire into.

To determine whether she has committed adultery or not, is manifestly a judicial act; and to authorise the dissolution of the contract of marriage for this reason, would be a judicial sentence. And according to our Constitution, these powers only can be discharged by the judicial department of this government.

They therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of said petition; which was granted.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a petition for a ferry across the Illinois river in La Salle county, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Greene of Clay, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of Benjamin Vermillion, to erect a mill-dam across Racoon creek in Clay county, reported a bill for "An act authorising Benjamin

Vermillion to erect a mill-dam across Racoon creek in Clay county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Cochran, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of the proprietors of the town of Saratoga, for an addition to the name of said town, reported a bill for "An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga in the county of Union;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Sharp, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and probate justice of the peace and constables," reported the same back with an amendment; in which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House.

Mr. Greene of Clay moved to amend the amendment proposed by the committee, by adding the following proviso to the first section, viz:

"*Provided*, That it shall be the duty of the probate justice of the peace to reside and keep his office at the county seat;" which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The third section was amended by striking out the first proviso:

On motion of Mr. Brinkley,

The following section, as modified by Mr. Logan, was added to the bill, viz:

"SEC. 4. In all actions of debt, assumpsit, petition and summons, or covenant, in the circuit court, where the justices of the peace would have jurisdiction, and in which the plaintiff does not recover a judgment for more than fifty dollars, the plaintiff shall not recover costs against the defendant, unless the judgment is so reduced by offsets."

On motion of Mr. Hick,

The first section of the bill was further amended by adding the following additional proviso:

"*Provided*, That when any office of justice of the peace is vacated by death, resignation, or absence, the plaintiff shall have the right to bring suit before the next nearest justice of the peace."

On motion of Mr. Gobble,

The amendment of the committee was further amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. —. That this act shall not apply to any process issued by justices of the peace against any person or persons who is, or may be hereafter summoned as garnishee or garnishees."

Mr. Yates moved the following additional section, viz:

"SEC. —. That no justices district shall hereafter be entitled to elect more than three justices of the peace;" which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

A further proviso was added to the first section of the proposed amendment of the committee:

"*Provided further*, That this act shall not apply to executions issued by justices and probate justices of the peace, but that they have power to issue execution on judgments rendered by them to any part of their respective counties."

The amendment of the committee as amended was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The bill was further amended by adding the following proviso, viz:

"*Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall prohibit suits from being commenced before probate justices of the peace, and magistrates in other districts than that in which the defendant resides; *provided* such defendant may consent thereto; in which case the constable shall endorse on the summons said consent."

Mr. Lockard moved the following additional section:

"**SEC. —** This act shall not prevent a justice from having jurisdiction of any debt contracted in his district."

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the amendment by adding the following words, viz: "and specifically made payable there;" which was not agreed to, when

The amendment offered by Mr. Lockard was agreed to by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Weatherford and Turner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Caldwell, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamsen, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Dolins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Whitten and Mr. Speaker—52.

Mr. Logan moved the following amendment to come in at the close, viz:

"This act shall not apply to cases of forcible entry and detainer;" when,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The whole subject was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The following protest was ordered to be spread upon the journals:

PROTEST.

The undersigned members of the House of Representatives hereby avail themselves of the privilege granted under the Constitution of entering their solemn protest against the passage of a bill entitled "An act to

diminish the State debt, and put the State Bank into liquidation," for the following reasons:

Because no provision is made by the bill declaring dividends from time to time, as the assets of the bank are turned into money; but its officers are permitted to go on collecting debts, and turning its assets into money, without being required to pay it out to the holders of the certificates, which will thereby be greatly depreciated, and the holders of the same defrauded.

Because, judging from the past conduct of the officers of the bank, it is unsafe to trust them any longer with the management of its affairs, and because the conditions of the bill are such as will have a tendency to perpetuate the existence of said bank.

Because the bill permits certificates to be issued in sums of any amounts to suit creditors, the effect of which will be to flood the country with a depreciated shin plaster currency.

Because thousands of the notes of said bank have been lost or destroyed, and will never be presented for payment, and the proportionate share of specie for the same, which will amount to many thousand dollars, is permitted to remain in said bank for the use of its officers.

Because the bill holds out false colors, and while it professes to be designed to put the State Bank into liquidation, we believe it will do no more nor less than continue said bank a shaving machine, as it has always heretofore been.

Because the charter of said bank is unconstitutional, and we believe it should be permitted to exist as a bank no longer; but that it is the duty of the State, forthwith, to take possession of all the assets of said bank, and see that they are faithfully applied to the payment of the debts due by the bank, and the balance, if any, divided fairly among the stockholders.

ALFRED E. AMES,

B. F. BELL.

When, on motion, the House adjourned by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brinkley and Dubois.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas. Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, White, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—82.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Canady, Compton, Dollins, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Glass, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hanson, Hinton, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, Nesbit, Norris, Shirley, Simms, Weatherford, Whitten, and Wilson—30.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of citizens of Union county, praying the establishment of a State road from Marion to Jonesboro; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Wilson presented the petition of citizens of Crawford county, praying for the removal of the county seat of said county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates;'" approved Jan. 23, 1829.

A bill for "An act to amend 'An act to provide for the establishment of ferries, toll bridges and turnpike roads;'" approved Feb. 12, 1827.

A bill for "An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga, in the county of Union."

A bill for "An act to authorize Elijah D. Ewing to convey real estate."

"An act authorizing Benjamin Vermilion to erect a mill dam across Racoon creek, in Clay county."

A bill for "An act conferring certain ferry privileges to the county of Bureau."

A bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock River Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois.'"

"An act to amend 'An act to regulate proceedings by attachments before justices of the peace;'" approved Feb. 27, 1837.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the petition of sundry citizens of Lee county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the county commissioners' court of Lee county to levy a yearly tax, not exceeding one and a half per cent. on every hundred dollars worth of personal property; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Haley presented the petition of two hundred and thirty-four citizens of Warren county, praying the passage of a law confining justices of the peace and constables to the district in which they are elected; which was read, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Haley, Owen, Norris, Hanson, and Courtright, be said committee.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on State roads, to which was referred the petition of J. Mack and M. E. Mack, praying for the passage of a law authorizing them to build a free bridge across Rock river, reported a bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on Finance, to which had been referred certain resolutions on the subject, made a report at large, on the financial condition of the State; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

Ordered to be laid on the table, and 500 copies printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act relative to garnishees,' approved Feb. 12, 1839; and also to amend "An act concerning attachments," approved Feb. 12, 1833; also to amend "An act to regulate proceedings by attachments before justices of the peace," passed Feb. 27, 1837; reported the same back with amendments; which were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That said bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which had been referred a petition of the citizens of Adams county, praying for a conditional division of said county, reported the same back and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, to which had been referred petitions and remonstrances of the citizens of Adams county, for and against the division of said county, reported a bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Hannaford, from the committee on Education, to which had been referred a petition and bill for the relief of Francis and Westley Freeland, reported the same back; and, on his motion, they laid on the table.

Mr. Hannaford, from the same committee, to which had been referred a resolution in relation to the bonds of school commissioners, and other subjects, reported the same back, as the objects of said resolution are contained in the general school bill, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred a petition of citizens of Franklin county, praying the passage of a stay law on judgments and executions, reported the same back and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Owen, from the committee on State roads, to which had been referred a petition for a State road in Hancock, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road in Hancock county;" which was read the first time,

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Brinkley, from the committee on Education, reported a bill for "An act organizing a school district in the county of Iroquois;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Courtright,

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Owen, from the select committee, to which had been referred a petition for a change of part of the turnpike road in Hancock county, reported a bill for "An act to change part of the turnpike road in Hancock county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Koerner moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the two Houses will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at 7 o'clock, P. M., on Wednesday next, the 11th of January, for the purpose of electing three associate Justices of the Supreme Court, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of the Hon. Thomas Ford, Theophilus W. Smith, and Sidney Breese; when,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Bishop,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That both Houses of the General Assembly will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Thursday, the 12th day of January, A. D., 1843, at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing an Attorney General and Public Printer for the State of Illinois.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Springfield Band be allowed the use of the Hall of Representatives on Wednesday evening, the 11th instant; which was,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Whitten moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, our State, at this time, is laboring under great financial embarrassment; *And whereas,* our tax payers have to bear a burden that should be, so far as possible, removed or mitigated by the action of the Legislature; therefore,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the door-keeper be ordered to wait upon the managers of the ball that occupied the Hall of the House of Representatives last evening, and request them to pay over to the Treasurer, for the use of common schools, one hundred dollars, as a reparation to the tax payers, for injury done to the furniture of this Hall, and the candles and fuel consumed for their accommodation, which have been paid for out of the State Treasury.

Mr. Brinkley moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "one hundred" and inserting "fifty;" when,

On motion of Mr. Yates,

The resolution and proposed amendment were laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Douglas and Turner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon,

Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—88.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Blakeman, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Dickinson, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Horney, Miller, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Thompson, Turner, and Whitten—20.

On motion of Mr. Dennis,

Resolved, That the committee on Internal Improvements be instructed to inquire into the expediency of memorializing Congress on the subject of their making a grant of land on or near the line of the Mt. Carmel and Alton railroad, for the use of said road, and that they report the same to this House.

Mr. Kuykendall moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the collectors of the revenue for the State of Illinois, be, and they are hereby authorized and required to proceed immediately to the collecting of the taxes for the year 1842, in the notes of the State Bank of Illinois, or the bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, and make return of the same by the first day of June next; which,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Starne,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency of amending the law regulating the fees of jurors, as to the propriety of increasing the compensation of said jurors, and that they report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to Mr. George Field, for the purpose of delivering several lectures upon the creation, deluge, &c., on such evenings as the same shall not be otherwise occupied.

The resolution offered by Mr. Scott some days since, proposing a resignation by the Judges of the Supreme Court of their offices, coming up for consideration,

Mr. Cloud moved to strike out all after the word "resolved," and insert the following: "that the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to report a bill to this House, re-organizing the judiciary of this State, so as to fix the salaries of the Supreme Judges at one thousand dollars per annum, each, and that their number be reduced to one Chief Justice, and three associate Justices, and nine Circuit Judges, with a salary of eight hundred dollars each, providing, in said law, that the judiciary shall be so organized, if the Supreme Judges shall resign their offices.

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the resolution and proposed amendment on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Cloud and Kuykendall, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Busey, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dolins, Edwards, Fowler, Graves, Gregg, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Logan, McBride, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Vandever, Wheat, White, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—55.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Andrus, Bell, Bishop, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Nesbit, Norris, Pratt, Scott, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Whitten—57.

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the adoption of the resolution, fixing upon Thursday next, at 7 o'clock, P. M., as the time at which both Houses of the General Assembly would meet, for the purpose of electing an Attorney General and Public Printer.

Mr. Weatherford, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend the several laws in relation to the trial of the right of property before justices of the peace;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Stewart, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the protection of sheep and wool growers, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Referred to the committee on Manufactures and Agriculture.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act concerning the jurisdiction of justices of the peace;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to extend the jurisdiction of county commissioners' courts, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bishop, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of the collector of McLean county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vandever, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,'" approved February 26, 1841; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Vandever, Whitten, and Davis of Bond, be said committee.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act regulating the manner of selecting jurors in certain cases;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Adams, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to improve the navigation in Rock river at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company;" when,

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the first and second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Loy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Sharp, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act regulating salaries and fees of certain officers therein named;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the select committee charged with the investigation of the same subject.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside introduced a bill for "An act, entitled 'An act to fix the liability of the securities of J. Richard Sawyer, on his official bond, as constable in and for Lee county;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Dickinson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors and defining their qualifications and duties;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Koerner, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vance, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to circuit clerks performing certain duties therein named:" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House were dispensed with, and the bill read the second time by the title, and referred to the same select committee charged with the subject of the salaries and fees of certain officers.

Mr. Dougherty, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to the Cumberland road;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McMillan, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to locate and change certain State roads,'" approved Feb. 27, 1841; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dollins, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal 'An act to encourage the culture of silk;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title; when

Mr. Logan moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

SEC. So much of any act as authorizes a bounty on wolf scalps is hereby repealed."

Mr. Courtright moved that the amendment be laid on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Kuykendall, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Harper, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Miller, Mitchell, Pickering, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, White, and Yates—44.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was then laid upon the table.

Mr. Kendall, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to a poor house, in Jersey county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Hanson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplemental to an act, entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions;'" which was read the first time, and,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Tackerberry, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to establish a ferry therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bradley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to legalize defective returns of the school directors of townships, in the counties therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Shirley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act disposing of the public property in Vandalia, and for other purposes;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Pratt, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to grand and petit jurors;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Davis of Bond, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Anderson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the county court of Lawrence county, to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Pickering, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize James Hunt to sell certain lands contained therein;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act relative to practice in chancery;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Vinyard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act repealing certain acts therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Blakeman, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning public roads;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Norris, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act amendatory of the several acts relating to attachments;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Horney, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in addition to acts concerning insolvent debtors;" which was read the first time; when the House refused to order the bill to a second reading.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the following resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein,
That both Houses of the General Assembly will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Saturday, the 14th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing an Auditor of Public Accounts, a State Treasurer, and three Justices of the Supreme Court, to fill the vacancies occasioned by the resignation of the Honorable T. W. Smith, T. Ford, and S. Breese.

I am also directed to inform the House that they have adopted a preamble and resolution, having for their object the appointment, by the Governor, of a competent committee to investigate the accounts of the State Bank of Illinois, &c.; in the adoption of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when,

On motion,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill organizing a school district in the county of Iroquois.

A bill to amend "An act in relation to garnishees," approved, Feb. 12th, 1839, and also to amend "An act concerning attachments;" approved, Feb. 12th, 1833, also to amend "An act to regulate proceedings by attachments before justices of the peace;" passed 27th Feb., 1837.

A bill for "An act to change a part of the Turnpike road in Hancock county."

A bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river."

A bill for "An act to locate a State road in Hancock county."

A bill for "An act to extend the jurisdiction of county commissioners' courts, and for other purposes."

"An act for the relief of the collector of McLean county."

Bill for "An act regulating the manner of selecting juries in certain cases."

A bill for "An act to amend the several laws in relation to the trial of the right of property before justices of the peace."

A bill for "An act in relation to a poor house in Jersey county."

Mr. Jonas presented a remonstrance of citizens of Adams county against the formation of a new county out of the northeast part of Adams county and part of Hancock; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jonas, also, presented a remonstrance against all divisions of Adams county; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Arnold presented a petition of the trustees of the first Universalist church of Chicago, asking for a lot on which to erect a church; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Canals and Canal lands.

Mr. Arnold presented a petition of the fireman of the city of Chicago, asking for a law exempting firemen from the performance of jury or military duty; which, without reading, was

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Referred to the committee on the Militia.

Mr. Arnold, also, presented a petition of the common council of the city of Chicago, asking permission to use certain property belonging to the State, for widening and straitening a street in said city; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Arnold, Wheat and Bryant be said committee.

Mr. Smith of Hancock presented a petition, praying the incorporation of Macedonia in Hancock county; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Wheat presented the memorial of H. S. Cooley, Quarter Master General of the State of Illinois; which, without reading, was

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred a bill for "An act fixing the liability of J. Richard Sawyer on his official bond as constable in and for Lee county, made a report against the passage of said bill; which was read, when

The House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Koerner, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of the county commissioners of St. Clair county, made a report in favor of the prayer of the petitioners, accompanied by a bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of William Moore of St. Clair county for the year, 1841;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bailache, from the committee on Education, to which had been referred many petitions praying for the appointment of a superintendant of common schools, made a report at length on the importance of the appointment of such an officer, but believing that the time had not yet arrived when the appointment of such an officer could be made to the best advantage, they reported against the prayer of the petitioner; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Weaterford,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Owen, from the select committee to which had been referred the petition of Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby, reported a bill for "An act to authorise Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi river;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on Finance, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes,'" reported the same back to the House with an amendment.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the amendment by striking out "twenty-five dollars," and inserting "ten dollars."

Mr. Murphy demanded a division of the question.

The vote being taken on striking out, it was not agreed to.

The amendment of the committee was then agreed to; and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements," was taken up.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, as amended by Mr. Cochran.

Mr. Logan moved to strike out the word "next," and in insert "1843;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Starne demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the affirmative.

The amendment was then agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Ficklin, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs, Aldrich, Ames, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Busey, Canady, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Woodworth—74.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, DuLois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, Madden, Miller, Norris, Pickering, Starr, Turner, Weatherford, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—37.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed for a third reading; when the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the President of the Canal Board, in answer to a call for information relative to the number of officers now in the employment of the canal board; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Pratt, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to exempt certain articles from execution;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Pratt,

Referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Pratt, Hanson, Norris, Nesbit and McDonald of Jo Daviess be said committee.

The Senate's resolution fixing the time for the election of certain officers coming up for consideration.

Mr. Logan moved to strike out that part of the resolution providing for the election of Judges; when Mr. Weatherford demanded a call of the House.

Pending the call, on leave, Mr. Vandever introduced the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, by authority of law, the school commissioners of several of the counties and treasurers of incorporated townships have received large amounts of the notes of the State Bank of Illinois, in payment of debts due the school fund of the several townships; which notes they now hold, and are unable to loan for their nominal value, consequently leaving a large portion of the school fund of some of the counties wholly unproductive, if not wholly destroyed; therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on Education be instructed to inquire into the expediency of providing by law, for loaning said notes for a limited time without interest, or for a less sum than their nominal value, and that they report by bill or otherwise; which were agreed to.

Senate bill for "An act permanently to locate the county seat of Mason county," was taken up, read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second and third times by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Logan, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for receiving and borrowing the school, college and seminary funds, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, when the House refused to order the bill to a second reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bailhache, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Canady, Cushman, Dickinson, Dubois, Ewing, Glass, Graves, Horney, Kuykendall, Logan, Madden, Mitchell and Pickering—16.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Van-

deveer, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—95.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

A message from the Governor, recommending the devising of means to replenish the State Treasury with current funds, was read by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State, and,

On motion of Mr. Starr,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

The question recurring on Mr. Logan's amendment to the Senate's resolution, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Murphy and Kuykendall, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Vinyard, and Yates—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Busey, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Flanders, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth and Mr. Speaker—60.

The resolution was then adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act entitled 'An act to distribute the school, college and seminary funds among the several counties of this State;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of reducing the license tax on grocery and tavern keepers, and report by bill or otherwise as soon as practicable.

Mr. McClernand, on leave, introduced the petition of Elijah Willard, praying relief; which was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Bills of the following titles were read the third time, and passed, viz:

A bill organising a school district in Vermilion county, and authorising the sale of school lands therein.

A bill for "An act to vacate the alleys in William H. Reed's, Thomas W. Lilley's and William Elliott's additions to the town of Olney in Richland county;"

A bill for "An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues;"

A bill for "An act to exempt the Shilo meeting house tract from taxation;"

A bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Cox;"

A bill for "An act authorising an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middletown precinct in McDonough county;"

A bill for "An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates,'" approved January 23, 1829.

A bill for "An act to amend 'An act to provide for the establishment of ferries, toll bridges and turnpike roads,' approved February 12, 1827;"

A bill for "An act to authorise Elijah D. Ewing to convey real estate;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock River Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois;' "

"An act to amend 'An act to regulate proceedings by attachments before justices of the peace,' approved February 27, 1837;"

A bill for "An act organising a school district in the county of Iroquois;"

A bill for "An act to amend 'An act in relation to garnishees,' approved February 12, 1839;" and also to amend "An act concerning attachments, approved February 12, 1833;" also to amend "An act to regulate proceedings by attachment before justices of the peace, passed February 27, 1837;"

A bill for "An act authorising the erection of a bridge across Rock river;"

A bill for "An act to extend the jurisdiction of county commissioners' courts, and for other purposes;"

"An act for the relief of the collector of McLean county;"

A bill for "An act regulating the manner of selecting jurors in certain cases;"

A bill for "An act to amend the several laws in relation to the trial of the right of property before justices of the peace;"

A bill for "An act in relation to a poor house in Jersey county;" and

A bill for "An act to legalise defective returns of the school directors and treasurers of the townships in the counties therein named."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

A bill for "An act confining certain ferry privileges to the county of Bureau," was read the third time, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bell, Bryant, and Hannaford be that committee.

Bills of the following titles, the rule being dispensed with, were read the third time by the title, and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act to relocate a part of the State road from Benton in Franklin county to Equality, in Gallatin county;"

A bill for "An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga, in the county of Union;"

"An act authorising Benjamin Vermillion to erect a mill-dam across Racoon creek in Clay county;"

A bill for "An act to change a part of the turnpike road in Hancock county;" and

A bill for "An act to locate a State road in Hancock county."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein; when

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 12, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the petition of citizens of the town of Tremont, praying that part of the addition of Sampson Harris and Leslie to said town be vacated; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Tackerberry, Menard and Ewing be said committee.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of citizens of Union county, praying for the establishment of a public seminary at Western Saratoga; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Loy presented the petition of citizens of Effingham county, praying the passage of a law relating to school lands in said county; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Loy, Lawler, Ficklin, Tackerberry and Blair be that committee.

Mr. Murphy presented a communication from Charles Macalister of the city of New York, in reply to the report of the Fund Commissioner; which was read and referred to the same joint select committee which was charged with the investigation of the affairs of the late and present Fund Commissioners.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to authorise the county court of Lawrence county to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;"

A bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes;'"

A bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act disposing of the public property in Vandalia, and for other purposes;'"

"An act to establish a ferry therein named;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to locate and change certain State roads,' approved February 27, 1841;"

A bill for "An act in relation to the Cumberland road;"

A bill for "An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;"

A bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of William Moore of St. Clair county, for the year 1841;" and

A bill for "An act to authorise Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi river."

Mr. Blair presented certain papers relative to the claim of D. B. Bush against the State; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Spicer presented sundry petitions of Mercer county, praying a change of the manner of voting from *viva voce* to ballot; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Hickman, from the committee on the Penitentiary, to which were referred certain resolutions of inquiry relative to the penitentiary, made a report at length; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Murphy presented the petition of citizens of Lake county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Ervin, on leave, withdrew the petition of Francis and Westley Freeland, praying relief.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their duties and qualifications, reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Yates, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act relative to practice in chancery," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act concerning evidence in certain cases;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act amendatory of the several acts relating to attachments," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred "An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county," reported the same back to the House with sundry amendments; which were agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vandever, from the select committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State, approved February 26, 1841,'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Gobble,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Glass until Monday next.

Mr. Jonas moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law allowing bounties on wolf scalps, so as to require the same to be paid by the respective counties in which the wolf or wolves have been killed.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The resolution was amended by adding the following:

“Provided furthermore, That the committee on Finance be directed to extend their inquiries, as to the expediency of longer taxing the State Treasury, by granting premiums to individuals engaged in the culture of silk, and that they report thereon; when the resolution as amended was adopted.”

On motion of Mr. Shirley,

Resolved, That the committee on Internal Improvements be instructed to inquire whether there are any obstructions in the navigation of the Kaskaskia river, by the construction of mill-dams or bridges across or over the same, contrary to the true intent and meaning of the act of the General Assembly, approved February 20, 1819, declaring the said river a navigable stream from its mouth to the northern boundary of township seven north, and especially authorising Thomas F. Herbert and Charles Slade to erect a mill-dam upon and across the Kaskaskia river, have been complied with by them, or by Charles Slade, according to the act, approved January 31, 1823, or his legal representatives; and if not so done, that they inquire into the expediency of repealing or amending such laws so as to prevent any obstructions to the navigation of said river, as may seem necessary and requisite; and to report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That no act of a private character shall be published in the volume of the acts; but the Secretary of State shall, as soon as practicable, forward to the clerk of the county commissioners' court of the proper county, a certified copy of each of said private acts, to be filed by him in his office.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to report, at as early a day as possible, the cheapest and most judicious plan for a revision and compilation in one volume, under appropriate heads, all laws of this State of a general and public character, which may be in force at the time of such compilation and revision, excluding from said volume acts of incorporation; and that said committee report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Stewart moved for adoption the following preamble and resolutions, viz:

Whereas, it is highly important that the public acts of this State should be revised, and that a plain and simple code of laws will be found acceptable to the people of this State, and calculated to promote their interest and protect their rights; therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That ——— be, and they are hereby appointed commissioners to revise the public laws of this State: *And be it further resolved*, that it shall be

the duty of such commissioners or a majority of them to examine all the public acts of this State now in force, and such laws of a general character as may be passed at the present session of the General Assembly, and to revise, consolidate and digest the same upon the following principles:

1st. All acts upon the same subject shall be digested into one act.

2d. The principles of the existing acts may be preserved, or such alterations or additions may be made as the said commission may deem expedient.

3d. Acts not considered necessary by the commission may be omitted, and deficiencies may be supplied by recommending new laws.

4th. The *Formula*—*Be it enacted by the people of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly*, shall be used in the first section of each act only.

And be it further resolved, That the said commission shall report to the General Assembly, at their next regular session, all acts by them revised and prepared for their consideration.

And be it further resolved, That each of the said commissioners as herein appointed shall receive for his services in the premises, such sum as the General Assembly at their next session may determine; when,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The preamble and resolutions were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Senate will meet the House in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Saturday the 14th day of January, at 7 o'clock, P. M. and elect one State's Attorney for each judicial circuit, except the eighth circuit.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, the article of salt is one of indispensable necessity to the whole country, and particularly to the agricultural population of the western States, among whose staple productions are pork, beef, &c.

And whereas, in consequence of the prevalence of low prices, the scarcity of money, and the want of sufficient markets, these articles are so reduced in price as scarcely to repay the labor and expense of production, causing great and general distress.

And whereas, in consequence of the high duty imposed by the lately enacted tariff law, on salt of foreign manufacture, the price of that article has been oppressively increased, compelling the producers to pay to domestic manufacturers exorbitant prices, and for an article of inferior quality, constituting in fact an oppressive and partial tax upon those who are least able, at this time, to endure it, and who can receive no possible benefit from such tax.

And whereas, the imposition of onerous taxes upon articles of pure necessity is in violation of all just principles of political economy, at war with the true spirit of our republican institutions, taking, as it does, money from the toiling many, who receive no return, and bestowing it upon the privileged few, who render no equivalent.

And whereas, Col. Thomas H. Benton, and the Hon. Samuel McRoberts and Hon. John Reynolds, and other distinguished Senators and Representatives in Congress, have been, and are still making strong exertions to procure the repeal of this obnoxious portion of the tariff law.

And whereas, a solemn and united expression of the wishes of the people of the great west upon this subject, being, as they are, more injuriously affected than other classes, is needed to secure prompt and efficient relief.

It is therefore resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives requested to use their united and untiring efforts to procure, at the earliest possible day, the passage of a law permitting the importation of salt free of duty.

Resolved, That the Governor be requested to cause to be transmitted copies of the foregoing preamble and resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and to the Hon. Thomas H. Benton.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Vandever moved for the adoption of the following resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the two Houses will adjourn *sine die* on the tenth day of February next, and that new business will be received after the first day of February next.

Mr. Logan moved to strike out the "first of February," and insert the "20th of January;" which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The resolution was amended by striking out that part of it proposing a day of adjournment.

Mr. Weatherford moved to fill the blank with the sixteenth day of February; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Logan presented the petition of Robert C. Arnold, praying for relief; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

On motion of Mr. Hanson,

The following memorial was adopted, viz:

To the Congress of the United States:

Your memorialists do respectfully represent to your honorable body, that in view of the great interest and prosperity of the State and citizens of Illinois, and in view, also, of the true interest and policy of the General Government in disposing of the public domain within the State of Illinois, in the opinion of your memorialists, that the law passed providing for the entry and purchase of lands in quarter sections, ought to be extended to the actual settlers, without restriction hereafter; and that all the public lands unsold, which have been in market, and subject to entry for fifteen years, ought to be reduced in price to fifty or seventy-five cents per acre.

Resolved, therefore, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives respectfully requested, to use their best exertions to have a law passed in accordance to what is contemplated in the foregoing memorial.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Senate bill for "An act to punish the crime of incest," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for "An act relating to the recording or registering conveyances or other instruments in writing executed out of this State and within the United States," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for "An act to re-locate First street, in the town of St. Charles, in Kane county," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be read the third time.

Senate bill for "An act to confine justices of the peace to their respective districts," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read the second time by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Cloud, Dubois, and Dollins, be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the St. Charles Academy, in the county of Kane," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Referred to a select committee, with instructions to report a general law on the subject.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jonas, Ames, and Jackson of McHenry, be that committee.

The Senate bill for "An act regulating mill dams in Vermillion county," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Norris,

Referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Norris, Canady, Busey, McMillan, and Ficklin, be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to fix the tenure of certain offices" was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Senate bill for "An act to increase the number of justices of the peace in the justices district therein named," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for "An act regulating certain records in Greene county, and authorizing recorders to appoint deputies in certain cases," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for "An act to locate a State road from Utica to Killa's landing in Fulton county;" was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Miller,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Miller, Turner, and Spicer, be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act for the location of a State road, in the counties of Monroe and St. Clair," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Dickinson, McBride, and Penn, be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to change the names of Lavinia Joliff and Hannah Clark," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for "An act relative to the roof of the State House," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read the second time by the title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Peoria Water Company" was read the first and second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

The Senate's resolution, proposing the preparation and fixing up of a room in the State House for the safe keeping and custody of the funds of the State Treasury, was taken up, read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain lots," was read a second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A bill for "An act repealing certain acts therein named," was read a second time; when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was laid upon the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Vinyard and Kuykendall, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Dickinson, Dougherty, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Green

of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—60.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Canady, Cochran, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dolins, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Hick, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, Menard, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vinyard, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Woodworth—43.

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

The bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read a second time by the title; when

Mr. Jonas offered the following proviso to the next to the last section of the bill, viz:

"Provided, however, That on the 1st Monday of August, 1843, at the election held at the court house in Quincy, and at the several places of voting in Adams county, a poll shall be opened, for and against the formation of said county of Marquette; and if a majority of the legal votes polled shall be in favor of the formation of said county, then and in that case, it shall be the duty of the clerk of the county commissioners' court, after ascertaining that fact, in the manner and mode that the elections in other cases are ascertained, to give public notice thereof, in the two newspapers published in the city of Quincy, for thirty days, and after the expiration of that time, the boundaries laid down as constituting the county of Marquette shall be no longer any part or portion of Adams county; and if at the election held on the first Monday in August aforesaid, in the county of Adams, the majority of the votes polled shall be given against the formation of said county of Marquette, then shall this act be null and void, and be of no effect;" when

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

In pursuance of joint resolution, the Senate, preceded by their Speaker, entered the Hall of the House for the purpose of electing an Attorney General and a Public Printer.

The two Houses first proceeded to the election of Attorney General; when

James A. McDougall received ninety-four votes.

Edwin B. Webb received thirty-nine votes.

Stephen G. Hicks received one vote, and

Joseph Wells one vote.

Whereupon,

James A. McDougall having received a majority of all the votes polled,

was declared by the Speaker, duly elected Attorney General of the State of Illinois.

The two Houses then proceeded to the election of Public Printer, when Walters and Weber received ninety-one votes.

Simicon Francis & Co. received thirty-five votes.

John. B. Webber received two votes.

Jas. Monroe Ruggles received two votes.

Bishop & Linder received one vote.

John Zeiber received one vote, and

William Hodge received one vote.

Whereupon,

Walters and Weber having received a majority of all the votes polled, were declared by the Speaker, duly elected Public Printers of the State of Illinois; when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 13, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the accompanying preamble and resolution, instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to use their efforts in support of a bill recently introduced into the U. S. Senate by the Hon. Mr. Linn, providing for the occupation, settlement and government of the Territory of Oregon; in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act amending the several acts relating to attachments;"

A bill for "An act concerning evidence in certain cases;"

"An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' approved February 26, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties;'" and

A bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain offices."

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and probate justices of the peace, and constables," was taken up and referred to the same select committee of five to which were referred sundry petitions, praying a like law.

Mr. Jonas presented the remonstrances of sundry citizens of Adams county, remonstrating against the division of said county; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jonas presented the proceedings of a public meeting in Adams county, protesting against all divisions of said county; which were read, and laid on the table.

Mr. Hannaford presented the petition of citizens of Fulton and Peoria counties, praying for a State road from Lancaster landing to Farmington; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Langworthy presented the petition of Mary Swanson, concerning certain lands therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Menard presented the petition of Philip Flager and Josiah Sawyer, to vacate a part of the town of Tremont; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Menard, Bishop, and Ewing, be said committee.

Mr. Spicer presented the petition of citizens of Mercer county, praying a change of the manner of voting from *viva voce* to ballot; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Langworthy presented the petition of Simon Kinney, praying an addition to the ferry at Peru; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred a bill for the relief and benefit of Richland county, reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, reported a bill for "An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund between the counties of Clay and Richland;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, reported a bill for "An act authorizing the school commissioner of Clay county to settle with the school commissioner of Richland county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Horney, from the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, reported a bill for "An act to reduce the State debt, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Gregg, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which had been referred the petition of Edward B. Talcott, reported a "Bill for the relief of the persons therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred Senate bill for "An act relating to the recording or registering of conveyances, or other instruments in writing, executed out of this

State, and within the United States, reported the same back and recommended its rejection; which was agreed to.

Mr. Logan, from the same committee to which had been referred a resolution on that subject, reported the following joint resolution, viz:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That a joint select committee of two from the House of Representatives, and one from the Senate, be appointed to revise the laws of this State on the following principles, viz:

They shall reduce all the acts on the same subject into one act, retaining the principle of the laws now in force, and only changing the language, so as to make the same consistent with the reduction into one act.

They shall report said revision to the General Assembly at its next session.

They shall be entitled to no pay or compensation, but shall be furnished with all necessary stationery and access to the laws in the office of Secretary of State; which was,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

Laid on the table.

Mr Yates, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to revise the laws and to condense them into one volume;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title; when,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill was amended by striking out all between the word "that," in the first line, and the word "to," in the second line of the first section, and inserting the words "the Attorney General and the Secretary of State shall constitute a commission;" and also by striking out the fourth section and inserting the following, viz:

"The said commissioners shall be required to perform the duties imposed by this act as other duties of their offices;" when the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Cloud, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred the petition of the Quarter Master General of the State of Illinois, praying relief, reported a bill for "An act making compensation to the Quarter Master General of the State;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, reported a bill for "An act in relation to the Penitentiary;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. McClernand, Jonas, Koerner, Dollins, and Bailhache, be that committee.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to grand and petit jurors," reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection; when

The House refused to order the bill to be read a third time.

Mr. Bibbens, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the passage of fish over Green's dam;" which was read the first time by the title, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Wilson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to establish circuit courts;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the select committee to which was referred a bill of similar import.

Mr. Horney, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for a school commissioner for Schuyler county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Turner, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act regulating elections,' approved Feb. 28, 1833;" which was read the first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Bell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Marshall county to lease certain offices;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title; when

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by striking out the words "of the county of Marshall," in the first section, and by inserting the words "of any county in this State;" when

The bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Davis of Williamson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to legalize the acts of certain officers therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Whitten, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetery Association;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Miller, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act declaring Spoon river a navigable stream;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Miller, Turner, and Sharp, be that committee.

Mr. Tackerberry, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Tazwell county to appoint an agent, or agents, for certain purposes therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Tackerberry, Menard, and Bell, be that committee.

Mr. Vinyard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to free negroes and mulattoes, servants and slaves," in force Jan. 17, 1827;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Mr. Murphy moved its reference to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

It was referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. McClernand, Vinyard, Collins, Menard, and Davis of Williamson, be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Green of Clay,

The bill for "An act entitled 'An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county,'" was taken up, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

When the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 14, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to legalise the survey of the town of Mount Vernon;"

A bill for "An act to repeal the laws incorporating the town of Chester;"

A bill for "An act to vacate a State Road therein named;"

A bill for "An act to change the name of the town of Florence, in Ogle county, to that of Oregon;"

A bill for "An act granting a ferry to Thomas Eagan;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish a ferry across the Illinois river,' approved February 23, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue;"

A bill for "An act for the relief of Francis Inman and others;" and

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for the re-survey of the lower town of Carlyle, in Clinton county."

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the petition of citizens of Lee county, praying "An act authorising the county commissioners' court to levy a tax, to liquidate the county debt;" which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hanson presented the petition of citizens of Coles county, praying a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Canady presented the remonstrance of citizens of Vermilion county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to legalise the acts of certain offices therein named;"

A bill for "An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county;"

A bill for "An act to authorise the county commissioners of the county of Marshall to lease certain offices;"

A bill for "An act to revise the laws, and to condense them into one volume;"

A bill for "An act to reduce the State debt, and for other purposes;"

A bill for "An act making compensation to the quarter master general of this State;"

A bill for "An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund between the counties of Clay and Richland;"

A bill for "An act to authorise the school commissioner of Clay county to settle with the school commissioner of Richland county;" and

A bill for "An act entitled 'An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county.'"

Mr. Bibbens presented the petition of citizens of La Salle and Bureau counties, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

On motion of Mr. Burklow,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bishop until Thursday next.

Mr. Koerner presented the memorial of the faculty and trustees of McKendree College, praying an appropriation out of the college and seminary fund; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Ervin presented the petition of sundry citizens of the town of Macomb in McDonough county, praying a repeal of the act incorporating said town; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ervin, Horney and Starr be that committee.

Mr. Adams presented the petition of sundry citizens of Rockford, Winnebago county, praying a law authorising the building a bridge across Rock river; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of citizens of Pike county, praying the passage of a law, authorising them to levy a tax to build a school house; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Samuel Milburne, praying relief, made a report, re-

commending the passage of a law authorising the board of Auditors to audit all accounts against the State for damages for the right of way for railroads, and asking to be discharged from further consideration of the subject; which was granted.

Mr. Kendall, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the petition of John Steele and Philip Amer, contractors on the Illinois and Michigan canal, praying relief, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject; which was granted.

Mr. Stewart, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of the trustees of the first Universalist Church of Chicago, asking a lot on which to erect a church, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Weatherford, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of B. W. Raymond and others of Chicago, praying for a canal lot on which to erect a Mechanics' Institute, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred a bill for "An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson, from the select committee to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act for the location of a State Road in the counties of Monroe and St. Clair," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, when the bill was

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Miller, from the select committee, to which was referred the Senate's bill for "An act to locate a State Road from Utica to Killa's landing in Fulton county," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Davis of Williamson, from the select committee, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Williamson county, praying a law authorising H. Singleton to build a mill on Crab Orchard creek, reported the same back to the House with a bill for "An act to authorise Henry Singleton to build a mill-dam across the Crab Orchard creek;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;" which was read the first, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title; when,

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

It was referred to a select committee of three, composed of members from said circuit.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hicks, McClernand and Kuykendall be that committee.

Mr. Pickering, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Macon county, praying instructions to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, to urge the passage of a law donating a quantity of land to aid in the construction of the Northern Cross Railroad, reported a memorial in conformity with the prayer of the petition; which was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Horney moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Whereas, there is a bill before the House of Representatives for "An act to reduce salaries of Justices of the Supreme Court;"

Resolved therefore, That the election of said justices be postponed until — January, 1843, at 7 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Dollins demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call, were,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Dispensed with; when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The resolution was laid on the table by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Horney and Nesbit.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—97.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Bibbens, Cochran, Green of Greene, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Murphy, Nesbit, Thompson, Vandever, and Vinyard—13.

The Senate's amendment to the resolution of the House, proposing Saturday January 14th, at 7 o'clock, P. M. as the time when the Senate would meet the House in the Hall of the House of Representatives for the purpose of electing certain State's Attorneys, was taken up and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act in relation to the distribution of the laws and documents of the Congress of the United States;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

Leave of absence until Thursday next was granted to Mr. Starne.

The Senate's preamble and resolution, proposing the appointment, by the Governor, of a committee to investigate the manner in which the State became indebted to the State Bank of Illinois in the sum of two hundred and ninety-four thousand dollars, were taken up and concurred in, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and McDonald of Calhoun.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Douglas, Edwards, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Starr, and Vinyard—28.

Mr. Nesbit moved to dispense with the rule, and take up the bill to reduce the State debt, and for other purposes; which was not agreed to by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Horney and Nesbit, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Cushman, Ervin, Ewing, Gobble, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Logan, McMillan, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Woodworth, and Yates—35.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—71.

The Senate's preamble and resolutions relative to the occupation of the territory of Oregon; and also, the Senate's preamble and resolutions, condemning a protective tariff, setting forth the inexpediency of direct taxation, recommending the re-establishment of the independent treasury, and against a bank of the United States; were taken up, read, and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The bill for "An act to incorporate the Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the State of Illinois," was read the second time; when

The House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Manning and Nesbit, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Courtright, Cushman, Dennis, Dubois, Ervin, Flanders, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Hannaford, Hatch, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Murphy, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Yates and Mr. Speaker—44.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Arnold, Bell, Blair, Bonc, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Busey, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Gobble, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starr, Thompson, Vinyard, West, White, Whitten, Wilson and Woodworth—58.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of their bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," as amended by the Senate, as appears from sundry accompanying amendments.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The above bill, together with the Senate's amendments thereto, was taken up, and, without reading, referred to the committee on Finance; when,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Weatherford demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

Leave was granted him to withdraw the petition of John Steele and Philip Amer and accompanying papers, who are contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal, praying for relief.

In pursuance of a joint resolution, the two Houses met in the Hall of the House, and proceeded to the election of certain officers named in said resolution.

The two Houses first proceeded to the election of Auditor of Public Accounts; when

James Shields received for that office 104 votes.

Levi Davis received for the same office 44 votes; whereupon,

James Shields having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared by the Speaker duly elected Auditor of Public Accounts for the State of Illinois.

Milton Carpenter, for the office of Treasurer, received 107 votes; and Joseph Conway 38 votes for the same office.

Milton Carpenter, having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared duly elected Treasurer of State.

The two Houses then proceeded to the election of a Justice of the Supreme Court, in the place of the Hon. Sidney Breese, resigned; when James Semple received 127 votes.

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James Semple having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared duly elected Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.

For the office of Justice of the Supreme Court, in the place of the Hon. Theophilus W. Smith, resigned.

Richard M. Young received 122 votes.

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Richard M. Young having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared by the Speaker duly elected Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.

For the office of Justice of the Supreme Court, in the place of the Hon. Thomas Ford, resigned.

John M. Robinson received 115 votes.

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John M. Robinson having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared duly elected a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of Illinois.

The two Houses then proceeded to the election of State's Attorneys; when,

John M. Evans received 85 votes.

A. M. Heslep received 26 votes.

John S. Greathouse received 16 votes.

A. C. Rucker received 8 votes, and

S. S. Chester received 4 votes, respectively for the office of State's Attorneys for the first judicial circuit.

John M. Evans, having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared by the Speaker duly elected State's Attorney for said district.

For the third judicial circuit, Willis Allen;
For the fifth, William Elliott, jr; and
For the ninth, B. F. Fridley, were unanimously elected, by nomination,
State's Attorneys for their respective districts; when,
The Senate preceded by their Speaker withdrew; when
The House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 16, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House the proceedings of citizens of the city of Cincinnati, recommending the adoption of suitable measures, by the western States, for the improvement of the navigation of the western waters accompanied by a memorial to the Congress of the United States of America upon that subject; which, without reading, were referred to a select committee of nine.

Ordered, That Messrs. Cloud, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Browning, Du-bois, Vinyard, Thompson, Howard, Bryant, and Woodworth, be that committee.

Mr. Bell presented the petition of citizens of Illinois, praying the passage of a law granting the trial by jury to all persons whose liberty is at stake; and the repeal of laws oppressing men on account of color; which was read, and the consideration of the same indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Thompson presented the petition of citizens of St. Clair county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the proper officers to loan the school fund, drawing 8 per cent. interest; which was read and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Adams presented the petition of citizens of Rockford, Winnebago county, praying "An act to improve the navigation of Rock river, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company;" which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry presented the petitions of citizens of McHenry county, praying a removal of the county seat of said county; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for an "An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs."

A bill for "An act in relation to the distribution of the laws and documents of the Congress of the United States."

"An act to authorize Henry H. Singleton to build a mill dam across the Crab Orchard creek."

Mr. Jackson of McHenry presented the remonstrances of citizens of McHenry county, remonstrating against the removal of the county seat of said county; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Langworthy presented the petition of citizens of the counties of La Salle and Bureau, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jonas presented the petition of citizens of Adams county, praying the establishment of a State road therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Bibbens presented the petition of citizens of La Salle county, praying the appointment of a superintendant of common schools; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Shirley presented the remonstrance of citizens of Fayette, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ervin presented the petition of James M. Campbell and Thos. A. Brooking, of McDonough county, praying relief; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act for the relief of the persons therein named," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were concurred in, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, reported a bill for "An act to amend 'An act, entitled 'An act concerning State Roads,' approved Feb. 20, 1841;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Daniel B. Bush, praying relief, reported "A bill to refund to Daniel B. Bush, certain moneys wrongfully paid into the Treasury;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred the petition of the citizens of Winnebago county, praying the construction of a bridge therein named, reported a bill for "An act authorizing the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which were referred sundry petitions of citizens of the counties of Adams and Pike, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties, reported the same back to the House, and, on his motion, was discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, to which were referred sundry petitions of citizens of Adams and Hancock counties, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Bell, from the select committee, to which was referred the Engrossed bill for "An act confirming certain ferry privileges on the county of Bureau," reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; when the bill having been read the third time, was passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning public roads,'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when

The House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Aldrich, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Hinton, Horney, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Pratt, and Thompson—9.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Elair, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Court-right, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth and Mr. Speaker—96.

Mr. Haley, from the select committee of five, to which was referred a bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices and probate justices of the peace, and constables," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was concurred in.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the bill by adding the following proviso to the last section, viz:

"Provided, that nothing in this act shall prevent justices from having jurisdiction of actions for debts created or accruing in their districts;" which was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Thompson and Davis of Bond, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bradley, Brinkley, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford,

Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, Turner, Vandever, West, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, and Woodworth—48.

Mr. Anderson moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "March" and inserting "May;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved to lay the bill on the table; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the bill by adding the following proviso to the last section, viz:

"Provided, however, that nothing in this act contained shall divest justices of the peace of jurisdiction, when contracts shall have been made specifically payable in their respective districts.

Mr. Norris demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the affirmative; when

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Koerner, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Cushman, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Fowler, Green of Greene, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Norris, Owen, Scott, Shirley, Stockton, Turner, West, Weatherford, White, and Whitten—41.

When the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, reported a bill for "An act for the better security of State, county and township funds;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the

title, and referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, reported a bill for "An act in relation to the revenue of 1842;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Pike,

The petitions of citizens of the counties of Pike and Adams, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties, were taken up and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Brown of Pike, Starne, and Garrett, be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Yates until Wednesday next.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Two additional members were added to the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to the penitentiary."

Ordered, That Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Whitcomb be the additional members.

Mr. Dollins moved for adoption the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the afternoon session of each day after to-day be taken up for the consideration of bills of the following description, until the same shall be disposed of, viz:

A bill to dispose of the property of the State relating to internal improvements; a bill in relation to the revenue; a bill in relation to the State Bank; a bill in relation to the canal; and a bill to apportion the State into Congressional districts.

Mr. Koerner moved so to amend the resolution that its operation would take effect after to-morrow.

Mr. Browning demanded a division of the question.

On the question of striking out, it was decided in the negative; when the resolution was adopted.

Mr. McClernand moved that the rule be dispensed with, and the bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein named," be now taken up for consideration; which was not agreed to.

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein named," coming up for consideration,

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Jonas some days since,

Mr. Wheat moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Jonas and Garrett, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bradley, Brinkley, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Stewart, Turner, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, and Thompson—52.

When the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 17, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House the petition of Francis Burnap, praying the passage of a law authorising and chartering a company for the improvement of certain water privileges therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Burklow moved a reconsideration of the vote taken on yesterday, on laying the proposed amendment of Mr. Jonas to the bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein named," on the table.

Mr. Wheat demanded a call of the House.

Pending a call of the House, Mr. Davis of Bond, from the joint select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the late and present Fund Commissioners, asked leave for said committee to sit from 9 o'clock, A. M., to 2 o'clock, P. M.; which was granted.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to appoint Bank Commissioners, and defining their duties," reported the bill back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted, and,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Langworthy,

Leave of absence was granted to Mr. Bryant.

Mr. Manning presented the petition of students of Knox Manual Labor College, praying to be exempted from doing militia duty; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Militia.

During the further pendency of the call of the House, Mr. Whitten presented the remonstrance of citizens of Montgomery and Fayettee

counties, remonstrating against the division of said counties; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hannaford presented the petition of citizens of Peoria and Fulton counties, praying for a State road from Lancaster landing in Peoria county to Farmington, Fulton county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Bibbens presented the petition of citizens of Kendall and La Salle counties, praying the attaching of a part of La Salle county to the county of Kendall; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Norris presented the petition of citizens of Vermilion county, praying the organization of a school district therein named, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question being taken on reconsidering the vote given on yesterday, on laying the amendment proposed by Mr. Jonas on the table.

It was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Jonas, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandeveer, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth and Mr. Speaker—67.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Dutois Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, and Yates—39.

The question then recurring on laying the proposed amendment on the table,

It was decided in the affirmative by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Stewart, Turner, Vande-

veer, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Green of Greene, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vinyard, Woodworth and Yates—52.

Mr. Murphy presented a communication from James Dunlap, agent of the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, in reply to a communication from the Governor, Auditor of State and Fund Commissioner, appointed by this House to confer with, and ascertain upon what terms, said bank would agree to dissolve its connection with the State; which was read, and the communication, with the accompanying documents, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations, with instructions to have the same printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Adams county, praying for the establishment of a State road, asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same, as the general law provides for the prayer of the petition; which was granted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed bills of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to enable the collector of Monroe county to collect the delinquent taxes of 1839;"

A bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act for the sale of certain lots therein named,' approved February 26, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to vacate part of a State road in Peoria;" and

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act relative to criminal jurisprudence,' approved February 26, 1833."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am further directed to inform the House, that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of their bill for "An act for the permanent location of the county seat of Lake county."

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred with them in the adoption of a resolution requiring the Secretary of State to procure, and have the same bound, a manuscript copy of the lecture of Judge Breese on the early history of Illinois, &c.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"A bill for the relief of the persons therein named;"

A bill for "An act in relation to the revenue of 1842;"

"A bill to refund to Daniel B. Bush certain moneys wrongfully paid into the treasury;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning public roads,' approved February 20, 1841;"

A bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices and probate justices of the peace and constables;" and

A bill for "An act authorising the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river."

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, reported a bill for "An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College of the State of Illinois;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Recommitted to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Stacy B. Opdycke, praying relief, made a report at length, in favor of the prayer of the petition; which was read, and also reported a bill for "An act to refund Stacy B. Opdycke a certain sum of money with interest;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred a bill for "An act for the protection of sheep and wool growers, and for other purposes," reported the same back to the House, with sundry amendments; which were concurred in.

On motion of Mr. Norris,

The bill was amended by adding after the words "harbor of such dog or dogs," in the second section, "after being notified, shall continue to harbor any such dog or dogs."

Mr. Horney moved to amend the bill by adding the following proviso to the first section, viz:

"*Provided*, That the dog should have a fair trial before some justice of the peace, and if found guilty of killing and worrying sheep, shall be sentenced to be hung or killed by the constable, who shall be allowed twenty-five cents from the county treasury for his services;" when,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

The proposed amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

"**SEC. —.** In all cases, where any person shall kill a dog under the provisions of this act, he shall be entitled to a bounty of one dollar for each dog so killed;" when,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

The proposed amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Cloud moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the first section; which was not agreed to, when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Dubois, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Mitchell, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Andrus, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Green of Greene, Haley, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Tackerberry, Vandever, Wilson, and Yates—44.

Mr. Garret moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the regular hour of adjournment shall be to 9 o'clock, A. M.

Mr. Stewart moved to amend the resolution, so as to have it read that the House shall adjourn at the hour of 1 o'clock, P. M; when,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Howard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act revive 'An act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Bailhache, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary."

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Hanson, on leave, introduced a bill concerning elections; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal certain acts herein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill was read a second time by the title, and

On motion of Mr. Jackson of McHenry,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson of McHenry, Ames and Adams be that committee.

Mr. McClernaud, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, reported the same back to the House, and recommended a concurrence with the Senate in certain of their amendments to said bill, and non concurrence in certain others of the Senate's amendments; and also amended certain amendments of the Senate, and asked the concurrence of the House in the committee's report.

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the Senate's amendment, by striking out after the word "stockholder," in the oath of the commissioner in the first section of the bill, the words "creditors or debtor;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Collins moved for adoption the following proviso:

"*Provided,* That the officers of said bank shall be permitted to use out of the unclaimed dividends of specie on its debts a sum not exceeding fifteen thousand dollars."

Mr. Jonas demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the affirmative.

The question then arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Collins, it was not agreed to.

The report of the committee on Finance was then concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein; when,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ames asked leave to have his name recorded as voting against concurring with the report of the committee on Finance made yesterday, on the Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act for diminishing the State debt, and for putting the State Bank into liquidation;" which was granted.

Mr. Shirley presented the remonstrance of citizens of Fayette county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bell presented the remonstrance of citizens of Putnam county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to-wit:

A bill for "An act to refund to Stacey B. Opdycke a certain sum of money with interest."

A bill for "An act for the protection of sheep and wool growers and for other purposes."

Mr. Fowler presented the petition of five hundred and forty-three citizens of Coles county, praying a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of James M. Campbell and Thos. A. Brookling of McDonough county, praying relief, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Samuel Wilbourne, praying relief, reported the petition back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the same.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, reported a bill for "An act supplementary to the act concerning public roads," approved, February 29, 1841; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on State Roads, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Quincy in Adams county, to Augusta in Hancock county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred the petition of Simeon Kinney, praying addition to the ferry at Peru, reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the subject; which was granted.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee on the Militia, to which was referred the petition of firemen of the city of Chicago, praying a law exempting firemen from the performance of military duty, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to repeal part of the act, entitled 'An act to amend 'An act to incorporate the city of Chicago,'" approved, February 27, 1841; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ames, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures reported a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society,'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, reported a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,'" approved, February 26th, 1839, and "An act supplemental to said act," approved, March 1st, 1839; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title and recommitted to the committee on Finance, with instructions to have the same printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to regulate weights and measures," reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage; when the bill was *Ordered* to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act to punish the crime of incest," reported the same back to the House with two amendments; which were concurred in, when the bill as amended was passed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill for "An act for the relief of the persons therein named," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Pratt, from the select committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to exempt certain articles from execution," reported the same back to the House, with amendments which were concurred in.

Mr. Norris moved to amend the bill by adding to the first section the following proviso:

"*Provided*, There shall be no chimney to such house or residence;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Glass moved to amend the first section by adding the following:

"Also forty acres of land including the house in which the defendant resides, or, if in any town or city, the house and lot in which the defendant resides, for any debt contracted after the passage of this act."

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the amendment, by adding:

"And all other property owned by the defendant."

Mr. Hanson demanded the previous question.

On the question shall the main question be now put, it was decided in the affirmative.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Vandever, it was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Glass, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Glass and Dubois.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burkelow, Dickinson, Dubois, Glass, Hanson, Horney, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Vinyard and Woodworth—20.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of

McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lockard, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Davies, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Yates and Mr. Speaker—82.

When the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays on the demand of Messrs. Turner and Miller.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Brown of Pike, Canady, Cloud, Dennis, Dickinson, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hambough, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Davies, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—55.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Arnold, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Green of Clay, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lockard, McClernand, Marshall, Penn, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Thompson, West, Wheat, White, Whitten and Wilson—47.

On motion of Mr. Courtright,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the two Houses of the General Assembly will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives on the 19th inst. at 7 o'clock, P. M. and proceed to the election of State's Attorneys in the 7th, 6th, 4th and 2d circuits respectively.

Mr. Spicer moved the adoption of the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, In the passage of an act regulating the sale of property on judgements and executions, the supposed necessity of its immediate passage prevented the perfecting of the bill in all its details: *And whereas*, the provisions in said bill requiring property to be appraised at its fair and equitable value in "ordinary times," has a tendency to have property appraised not at its real value at the time of its appraisal, but in general far above its fair and real value, and also leaving the law vague and difficult to determine what its true meaning is: Therefore,

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed and instructed to inquire into the expediency of reporting a supplement to said law, which shall have for its object, the repeal of said clause, fixing the appraisalment of property at its fair and equitable value in ordinary times, and substituting therefor, a fair and equitable value at the time of its appraisalment; together with such other amendments and provisions as

they in their discretion may think calculated to perfect the law and make it acceptable to the people; and report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Dougherty moved to lay the proposed preamble and resolution on the table; which was not agreed to by yeas and nays on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Aldrich.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bradley, Brinkley, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Court-right, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Doubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lockard, McBride, McClerland, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshal, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vinyard, Whitten, Wilson and Mr. Speaker—48.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hambough, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Davies, Manning, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth and Yates—53.

Mr. Logan moved to strike out the last clause of the resolution.

Mr. Cochran moved that the consideration of the proposed preamble and resolution be indefinitely postponed.

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Auditor, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, in answer to a resolution of this House in relation to the accounts of the State House Commissioners and the expenditures on the State House; which was read and referred to the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act for the relief John M. Bell."

A bill for "An act to tax land five years from the date of entry."

They have also concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to legalize the assessment of taxes in the counties of Macon, St. Clair, Macoupin and other counties for the year 1842."

A bill for "An act for the relief of Jonathan D. Manlove;" and

A bill for "An act to legalize certain acts of the county commissioners of Lake county."

The first as amended by them; in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also concurred with the House in the adoption of its preamble and resolution authorizing the county commissioners of Sangamon county to fit up a room in the State House to be used as a Court room for said county.

I am directed also, by the Senate, to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in its amendments to the amendments of the Senate to the 8th and 10th sections of the bill for "An act to diminish the State debt and put the State Bank into liquidation."

The Senate have receded from their first amendment to the second section and have refused to recede from their second and third amendments to the eighth section. They have also refused to recede from their second amendment to the tenth section, and from their amendment adding the sixteenth section to said bill.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The committee of the whole House was discharged from the further consideration of the bill for "An act to provide for the sale of property connected with the internal improvement system, and for the payment of the public debt."

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill for "An act to provide for the sale of public property and the payment of the public debt," as amended by the committee on Finance, was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Browning moved to amend said bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting the following in lieu thereof:

"That it shall be the duty of the Auditor of Public Accounts on or before the first day of May next, to prepare and furnish to the clerks of the county commissioners' courts of each and every county in this State, in which any portion of the property either real or personal, owned by the State, and connected with the internal improvement system of this State, may be situated, or in which any portion of the lands selected by this State, under the act of Congress, entitled "An act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands and grant pre-emption rights," approved September 4, 1841, may be situated, a list of the property situated in said county; in which said list, the said Auditor shall particularly describe the property, whether real or personal, situated in said county.

"SEC. 2. That so soon as the clerk of the county commissioners' court of any county in this State shall receive the descriptive list aforesaid of the property situated in his county, he shall record the same in the record book of the court for the time being, and at the June term of the county commissioners' court 1843, or at the first term of the county commissioners' court, after the list shall be received by him, he shall lay the same before said court for their inspection and examination.

"SEC. 3. It shall be the duty of said court as soon as said list shall be laid before them, to proceed to appoint, by an order to be entered of record, three discreet house-holders of said county, as appraisers to appraise said property.

"SEC. 4. Immediately after the adjournment of the court, it shall be the duty of the clerk to make out a copy of the order of appointment, and deliver the same to the sheriff of the county, who shall immediately

serve the same upon said appraisers, by delivering to each of them a true copy of said order.

"SEC. 5. The said appraisers at some time, to be fixed by themselves, within one month after they shall be notified of their said appointment, shall assemble at the office of the county commissioners' clerk of their county; whereupon said clerk shall deliver to said appraisers a copy of the descriptive list of property, furnished him by the Auditor as aforesaid, and shall at the same time administer to said appraisers an oath, to be endorsed on said descriptive list, that they will well, truly and faithfully, according to the best of their skill, judgment and ability, proceed to appraise all of said property in said list contained, at its fair and reasonable value, and that they will, within one month from the time of taking the oath aforesaid, return their said appraisalment, in writing, in said clerk's office.

"SEC. 6. Immediately after taking the oath aforesaid, and receiving the list aforesaid, the said appraisers shall proceed to appraise all of the property contained in said list at its fair and reasonable value, by a personal inspection thereof. They shall make out a report of their said appraisalment in writing, in which they shall describe each piece or article of property specifically, and shall set opposite thereto the price or value at which the same is appraised; which said report shall be signed by said appraisers, and returned by them into the office of the county commissioners' clerk, within one month from the time the oath aforesaid shall have been administered unto them.

"SEC. 7. Within two weeks from the time of receiving said report, the clerk shall record the same in the record book of the court of which he is clerk, and make and certify and transmit to the Auditor of Public Accounts a true copy thereof, and shall file and preserve the original in his office.

"SEC. 8. The Auditor of Public Accounts shall procure a well bound book, in which he shall record all the reports of the appraisers aforesaid, which shall be transmitted to him by the clerks as aforesaid, and by him received, and shall file the copies received by him from said clerks among the records of his office.

"SEC. 9. As soon as the reports aforesaid shall be received and recorded by the Auditor as aforesaid, the Auditor shall appoint a time for the sale of said property at public auction, and shall thereupon give sixty days' notice by an advertisement to be published in the newspaper published by the Public Printers of the State of Illinois, that at the time appointed, all of said property will be exposed to sale at public auction in the city of Springfield, to the highest and best bidders, and that Illinois State bonds issued on account of the internal improvement system, and internal improvement scrip, will be received in payment therefor. Said advertisement shall contain a list of all the property appraised and intended to be sold, and shall be inserted in said newspaper for six successive weeks.

"SEC. 10. At the time appointed, the Auditor of Public Accounts, assisted by a crier to be by him employed for that purpose, shall proceed to expose to sale, to the highest and best bidder at public auction, all of said property, in like quantities or parcels as has been appraised. And said Auditor shall keep a record of said sale, which shall contain a description of the article of property sold, the name of the person to whom

sold, and the price at which sold. Said sale may be continued from day to day, until all of said property has been sold or offered for sale. And any part of said property, which may have been offered for sale one day, and not sold, may be again offered for sale at any subsequent day of the sale; but in no case shall any of said property be sold unless a price equal to its appraised value shall be bid therefor.

"SEC. 11. If any person to whom any portion of the property aforesaid shall be struck off at said sale, shall fail or refuse to make payment therefor, on or before 10 o'clock, A. M. of the day succeeding said sale, said property shall again be offered at sale by the Auditor; and, if sold for less than the sum for which it was struck off at its first sale, the purchaser at such first sale shall be liable for the difference in his bid and the sum for which said property is sold at its second sale; and if said property shall remain unsold after being offered as aforesaid a second time, then the purchaser at the first sale shall be liable for the difference between his bid and the appraised value of said property; and in either event, it shall be the duty of the Auditor to commence an action of debt in the name of the people of the State of Illinois, for the recovery of such difference; which said action, if the amount sued for does not exceed one hundred dollars, may be brought before a justice of the peace, and if it exceed one hundred dollars, may be brought in the circuit court.

"SEC. 12. If any of said property shall remain unsold, after it all has been offered at public sale as aforesaid, any or all of the property which may remain unsold, shall be subject to sale at private sale, by the Auditor of Public Accounts at his office, in such parcels as the same was appraised, and at its appraised value; and the purchaser or purchasers of any of said property, whether at public or private sale, shall be at liberty to pay for the same in the State bonds of the State of Illinois, issued on account of the internal improvement system, or in internal improvement scrip, or in gold.

"SEC. 13. The Auditor shall procure a well bound book, in which he shall record all sales of property made by him by virtue of this act, particularly describing the property sold, the price at which sold, the date of sale, the name of the purchaser, and the kind of funds in which payment shall be made for the same; and it shall be the duty of the Auditor upon the sale of property as aforesaid, if the same be personal property, to execute to the purchaser a bill of sale therefor; and if it be real property, it shall be the duty of the Governor to issue to the purchaser a patent therefor.

"SEC. 14. If any payment for said property or any part thereof be made in State bonds or State scrip, it shall be the duty of the Auditor carefully to preserve the same in his office, and lay the same before the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois at its next session, and shall also endorse upon each bond or piece of scrip by him received as aforesaid the name of the person of whom received.

"SEC. 5. In all cases where the property to be appraised consists of land, said land shall be appraised by the acre in lots of forty acres each, except where there may be a fraction of less than forty acres, in which case said fraction shall be appraised by the acre, without sub-division.

"SEC. 16. The services required by this act to be performed by the Auditor of Public Accounts, and clerks of county commissioners' courts, shall be *ex officio*.

"SEC. 17. As a compensation to the appraisers to be appointed under the provisions of this act, for the services required to be performed by them, the said appraisers shall be exempt from paying road tax, working on roads, serving on juries, or performing military duties for two years from the date of their appointment."

Mr. Blair moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays on demand of Messrs. Browning and Garrett.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Davies, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshal, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson and Mr. Speaker—64.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, White and Yates—34.

Mr. Blair moved for adoption the following amendment, viz:

"*Provided further*, That no lands shall be sold under the provisions of this act for less than ten dollars per acre;" when

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 19, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kuykendall presented the petition of sundry citizens of Johnson and Pope counties, and a petition of many citizens of Johnson county, praying the formation of a new county out of parts of Pope and Johnson counties; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on counties.

Mr. Fowler presented the remonstrance of sundry citizens of Coles county against being stricken off into a new county proposed to be formed out of parts of the counties of Macon, Shelby and Coles; also a letter from an individual on the same subject; also a letter from two citizens of Shelby county on the subject of forming a new county out of parts of the above named counties; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Glass presented the petition of citizens of Chesterfield, Macoupin county, asking for the appointment of a superintendent of common schools; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry presented the petition of sundry citizens of McHenry, county praying the passage of a law prohibiting the killing of deer within the time therein mentioned; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Manufactures and Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Langworthy,

The petition of Simon Kinney, praying for an addition to the ferry at Peru, was taken up and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Langworthy, Bryant and Bell be that committee.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to-wit:

"An act to legalize certain acts of the county commissioners of Lake county."

"An Act for the relief of Jonathan D. Manlove."

"An act for the permanent location of the county seat of Lake county."

As correctly engrossed, a resolution asking a vacant room in the State House for a court room for Sangamon county.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to-wit:

"An act to repeal a part of the act, entitled 'An act to amend an act to incorporate the city of Chicago,' " approved, Feb. 27th, 1841.

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Quincy in Adams county to Augusta in Hancock county."

"An act to amend 'An act, entitled an act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society.'"

A bill for "An act to regulate weights and measures."

Mr. Cushman presented the remonstrance of citizens of La Salle county against the division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the accompanying memorial and resolution, having for their object an appropriation by Congress for the removal of the obstructions to the navigation of the Mississippi river.

They have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act to re-locate a part of the State road from Benton in Franklin county, to Equality in Gallatin county;" and have laid on the table till the 4th of July, the resolution of the House declaring that no act of a private character of this General Assembly shall be published in the volume of acts, &c.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which had been referred several communications from the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, and also several matters relative to the currency, reported at length, which was in part read; when

On motion of Mr. Koerner, the further reading of the report was dispensed with and laid on the table.

Mr. Ames moved that 5000 copies of the report be printed; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Kuykendall moved 1000 copies.

Mr. Dollins moved 2000 copies.

Mr. Horney moved 3000 copies; which was agreed to by yeas and nays on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Ficklin, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Davies, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshal, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth and Mr. Speaker—69.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton and Yates—34.

Mr. Jonas, from the minority of the same committee, made a report adverse to the positions assumed in the report of the majority; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Yates,

Ordered to be laid on the table, and printed for the use of the House.

The bill accompanying the report of the majority for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Laid on the table, and

Ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Peoria and Fulton counties, praying for a State road, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing in Peoria county, to Farmington in Fulton county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dubois, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Union county, for a State road from Marion to Jonesboro, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Marion in Williamson county to Jonesboro in Union county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of Elijah Willard, praying relief, reported the same back to the House; and, on his recommendation, the petition was referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which were referred sundry remonstrances of citizens of Adams county remonstrating

against a division of said county, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, to which was referred a resolution proposing an inquiry into the propriety of dividing the several counties of the State into three commissioners' districts, reported a bill for "An act to provide for dividing the several counties in this State into county commissioners' districts;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Spicer moved to amend the bill by striking out of the first section all after the enacting clause to the word "directed" inclusive, also by striking out the third and fourth sections; which was not agreed to, when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McClernand, on leave, moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That a committee of conference be appointed on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the amendments of the Senate to the House bill for "An act to diminish the State debt and put the State Bank into liquidation," to consist of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, and that the said committee be instructed to report in the premises as early as practicable; which was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Ordered, That Messrs. McClernand, Murphy and Koerner, be the committee on the part of the House.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on Finance, to which had been referred certain resolutions concerning the present revenue laws, reported the same back to the House and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the subject, the committee having presented several general bills concerning the public revenue, embracing the provisions proposed by said resolutions; when the committee was discharged.

Mr. Arnold, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of the common council of the city of Chicago, asking permission to use certain property belonging to the State for widening and straitening a street in said city, reported a bill for "An act to authorize the common council of the city of Chicago, to straiten Madison street in said city;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Menard, from the select committee, to which had been referred the petition of Philip Flagler and Josiah Sawyer, reported a bill for "An act to vacate a part of the town platt in Philip Flagler's addition to the town of Tremont in the county of Tazewell, and authorizing the owners of blocks to close the streets;" which, was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the select committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Bellvidere to Little Fort," reported the same back without amendment.

Ordered that said bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jonas, from the select committee, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the St. Charles Academy in the county of Kane," reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Ordered, That the bill be read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill read the third time by the title and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplementary to an act authorizing Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago swamp;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Arnold, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of Richard J. Hamilton, late Clerk of the Cook circuit court;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Lockard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to simplify the manner of proceedings of justices of the peace and constables in cases of distress for rent;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Koerner, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Jefferson Lodge in the town of Bellville;" which was read the first time, and refused the second reading.

Mr. Hicks, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to prohibit persons from recovering damage for trespass on land in certain cases;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hicks, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act defining the duties of the chief justice and associate judges of the Supreme Court of this State in certain cases;" which was read the first time, and refused a second reading.

Mr. Ficklin, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to prevent the school, college and seminary fund from being appropriated to the payment of members of the Legislature, State officers and other State indebtedness, and to make an equitable distribution thereof to the several counties in this State;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Browning, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to common schools;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Cushman, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to legalize certain proceedings of trustees of schools in township 33, range 3 east, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; when

The House adjourned till 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment; and

Adjourned till to-morrow morning 10 o'clock, A. M.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the petition of citizens of Pekin, praying the repeal of part of "An act entitled 'An act to amend the corporate powers of the town of Pekin;'" which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Tackerberry, Menard, and Bishop, be that committee.

Mr. Owen presented the petition of inhabitants of township four north, nine west, in Hancock county, relative to the school lands of said township; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Owen, Dickinson, and Horney, be that committee.

Mr. Woodworth presented the petition of citizens of Grundy county, asking a law legalizing the assessment of taxes in said county, for 1842; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Woodworth presented the petition of citizens of Grundy county, praying the passage of a law to enable said county to obtain its share of the school money; which was, without reading, referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Davis of Williamson presented the remonstrance of citizens of Johnson county, against a division of said county; which was, without reading, referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Manning presented the petition of sundry citizens of Knox county, praying the amendment of the law regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Logan presented the petition of citizens of Sangamon county, praying a charter for building a bridge across the Sangamon river; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Brown of Sangamon, and Hickman, be said committee.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act authorizing Henry W. Cleaveland to build a bridge across the

Winnebago swamp," reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jonas, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which had been referred the petition of sundry citizens of Metropolis city, praying the incorporation of said city, reported the same back to the House with a bill to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills as correctly enrolled and engrossed:

"An act to re-locate a part of the State road from Benton, in Franklin county, to Equality, in Gallatin county."

A bill for "An act to exempt certain articles from execution."

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort."

A bill for "An act to authorize the common council of the city of Chicago to straighten Madison street, in said city."

"An act to legalize certain proceedings of the trustees of schools for township thirty-three north, range three east, and for other purposes."

"An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Philip Flagler's addition to the town of Tremont, in the county of Tazwell, and authorizing the owners of blocks to close the streets."

A bill for "An act to provide for dividing the several counties in this State into county commissioners' districts."

A message from the Council of Revision by Mr. Kelly, their Clerk:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision, to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act for the permanent location of the county seat of Lake county."

"An act to legalize certain acts of the county commissioners of Lake county."

"An act for the relief Jonathan D. Manlove."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the adoption of its resolution proposing that the two Houses meet in the Hall of the House, for the purpose of electing four State's Attorneys, on the 19th inst., at 7 o'clock, P. M., with an amendment, by which "19th instant," and "7 o'clock," are stricken out, and "20th instant," and "3 o'clock" inserted instead thereof.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also concurred with the House in the adoption of their resolution, having for its object the appointment of a committee of conference upon the disagreement of the two Houses in relation to certain amendments of the Senate to the bill from the House for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation;" and have appointed Messrs. Hoard and Davis to be the committee on the part of the Senate.

They have passed a bill for "An act to amend the 'Act regulating the interest on money,' approved Feb. 28th, 1833;" and to amend the 'Act making provision for organizing and maintaining common schools;' approved February 26, 1841."

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago;"

A bill for "An act organising a school district in the county of Iroquois;" and

A bill for "An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga, in the county of Union."

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the Senate's bill for "An act to incorporate the Peoria Water Company," reported the same back to the House with sundry amendments; which were concurred in, and the bill

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Marshall, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary," reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College of the State of Illinois," reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Madden, from the committee on Elections, to which were referred several petitions, praying a change of the manner of voting, reported the petitions back to the House and was discharged from further consideration of the same.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act to regulate the interest on money,' approved Feb. 28th, 1833;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Madden, from the committee on Elections, to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act regulating elections,' approved Feb. 28, 1833," reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vandever presented the petition of citizens of Christian county, praying for a State road therein named; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Vandever, Whitten, and Gobble, be said committee.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which were referred petitions of citizens of Lee county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the assessment of a tax to pay the debt of said county, reported a bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners' court of Lee county to levy a tax;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, to which were referred petitions of citizens of Montgomery, Fayette and Shelby counties, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to establish the county of Audubon;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and recommitted to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, to which were referred petitions of citizens of Winnebago and Boone counties, praying the attachment of a part of the county of Winnebago to the county of Boone, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to define the bounds of Boone county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The Senate's amendments to the resolution of the House, proposing the 19th of Jan. inst., at 7 o'clock, P. M., as the time when the two Houses would meet in the Hall of this House, and elect certain State's Attorneys, was taken up and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Nesbit, from the select committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of the counties of Macon, Shelby and Coles, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of said counties, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Okaw;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bradley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Tackerberry, from the select committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of the town of Tremont, praying the vacation of a part of said town, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to vacate a part of Sampson's, Harris's and Leslie's addition to the town of Tremont;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Brown of Pike, from the select committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Pike county, to vacate the town plat of Reed-

field, situate in said county, reported a bill for "An act to vacate the town plat of Reedfield;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Williamson,

The resolution fixing the daily hour of adjournment at 9 o'clock, A. M., was taken up and agreed to, and the motion to amend the same, made by Mr. Stewart, was,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the law in relation to roads, that, when any kind of implements, such as ploughs, scrapers or any other private property, is damaged whilst employed on roads, in consequence of unavoidable accidents, the owner of such damaged property be allowed a reasonable compensation for such damage to be paid out of the county treasury, by order of the supervisors of the road, when the damage is ascertained; and that they report by bill or otherwise.

The preamble and resolution offered some days since by Mr. Scott, inviting the Judges to resign, coming up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The preamble and resolutions and the proposed amendments, were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The preamble and resolution, offered some days since by Mr. Dubois, providing for the adjournment of the two Houses, coming up for consideration,

Mr. Dubois moved to amend the same by striking out the amendment some days since agreed to; which were the words "as soon as possible," and inserting the words, the "second Monday of February."

Mr. Kendall moved to amend the amendment, by adding the words "or as soon thereafter as practicable;" which was not agreed to.

The question then arising on Mr. Dubois's proposition to amend, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ewing and Dubois, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Compton, Cushman, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, White, and Yates—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Burklow, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dougherty, Edwards, Flanders, Fowler, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McMillan, Madden, Man-

ning, Marshall, Miller, Owen, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Mr. Green of Clay moved to amend said resolution so as to make it read "That the two Houses will receive no new business after the 10th day, of Feb. next;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Hanson moved that the whole subject be laid on the table; which was not agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Cloud obtained leave of absence for Messrs. Epler and Pratt.

Mr. Stewart, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize Margaret C. Gibson to deed certain lands."

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a first and second time by the title and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The preamble and resolution offered some days since by Mr. Spicer, proposing a select committee to inquire into the propriety of passing a supplement to the law regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions, with the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan, coming up for consideration,

Mr. Turner demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question being on the motion made by Mr. Cochran, on yesterday, for the indefinite postponement of the question,

Mr. Simms demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the whole subject be indefinitely postponed?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs Simms and Hanson, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs, Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dutois Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Turner, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth and Mr. Speaker—65.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sang., Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Penn, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, and Yates—39.

When the House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate that the House is in readiness to receive the Senate, for the purpose of electing certain State's Attorneys, in pursuance of a joint resolution of the two Houses.

When the Senate, preceded by their Speaker, entered the Hall of the House.

The two Houses then proceeded to ballot for State's Attorney for the second judicial circuit; when

William H. Underwood received ninety-nine votes.

Francis H. Hereford received twenty-five votes.

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Whereupon

W. H. Underwood having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared, by the Speaker, duly elected State's Attorney for said circuit.

For the fourth judicial circuit,

Alfred Kitchell received sixty-eight votes,

Charles H. Jones received sixty-eight votes,

Mr. Young received one vote.

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No person having received a majority of all the votes polled, the two Houses proceeded to a second vote; when

Alfred Kitchell received seventy-two votes.

C. H. Jones received sixty-seven votes.

Mr. Young received one vote.

Alfred Kitchell having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared, by the Speaker, duly elected State's Attorney for the fourth judicial circuit.

Joseph B. Wells was unanimously elected, by nomination, State's Attorney for the sixth judicial circuit.

For the seventh judicial circuit,

James Curtis received fifty-nine votes,

Henry Brown received twenty-two votes,

E. B. Ames received twenty-five votes, and

Richard J. Hamilton received thirty-four votes, respectively, for the office of State's Attorney.

No person having received a majority of all the votes polled, the two Houses proceeded to a second vote; when

James Curtis received seventy-seven votes,

E. B. Ames received twenty votes, and

Henry Brown received forty-one votes.

James Curtis having received a majority of all the votes polled, was declared, by the Speaker, duly elected State's Attorney for said circuit.

When the Senate withdrew.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The engrossed bill for "An act in relation to the revenue of 1842," was taken up, read the third time, and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Vandever and Weatherford, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Simms, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Weatherford, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Green of Clay, Hanson, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Mitchell, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates,—43.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

When the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 21, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Gregg presented the petition of John Pierson, in relation to the fine imposed upon him by the Supreme Court; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Gregg, Ficklin, McClernand, Koerner, and Adams, be that committee.

Mr. Horney presented the petition of Richard Dougherty, praying compensation for services rendered; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Davis of Bond presented the petition of citizens of Bond county, on the subject of the penitentiary; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred various resolutions in reference to the penitentiary.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of A. Getzler and others, praying that the fees of clerks in cases of the naturalization of foreigners may be reduced and fixed by law; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Blakeman presented the petition of two hundred and eight citizens of Madison county, relative to the discipline, health, &c., of the convicts in the penitentiary; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions of similar import.

Mr. Kendall presented the petition of ninety-nine citizens of Jersey county, relative to the system of management and discipline under which the State penitentiary is now conducted; which, without reading, was re-

ferred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions and resolutions having reference to the penitentiary.

Mr. Yates presented the petition of Nathaniel Coffin, praying the passage of "An act exempting all the property of colleges from taxation, and for other purposes;" which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Haley presented the petition of citizens of Bowling Green, Warren county, praying the name of said town be changed to that of Boston; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Haley, Harper and Stockton, be that committee.

Mr. Ames, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of McHenry county, praying the passage of a law prohibiting the killing of deer within the time therein named, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act relative to killing of deer;" which was read the first time, when the House refused to order the bill to a second reading.

Mr. Thompson presented a report of the minority of said committee, adverse to the passage of said bill; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act supplementary to 'An act authorising Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago swamp;'"

A bill for "An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College of the State of Illinois;"

"An act to vacate the town plat of the town of Reedfield;"

A bill for "An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county;"

A bill for "An act to vacate a part of Sampson, Harris, and Leslie's addition to the town of Tremont;" and

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the interest on money;" approved February 28, 1833.'

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act entitled 'An act to prohibit persons from recovering damages for trespasses on lands in certain cases,'" reported the same back to the House with amendments; when,

On motion of Mr. Smith of Hancock,

The bill and proposed amendments were laid on the table.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, reported a bill for "An act to regulate elections for Senator and Representatives in Richland and Clay counties;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which were referred sundry petitions of citizens of McHenry county, reported a bill for "An act to authorise the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have adopted the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That the Fund Commissioner be, and he is hereby authorised to deliver to John Duff & Co., one bond for \$1,000, in full satisfaction of their contract for completing the railroad from Springfield to Jacksonville; and that said Duff & Co. receipt the contract, and surrender the same to the Fund Commissioner, to be filed in his office.

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a bill for "An act to establish and maintain common schools," reported the same back to the House with sundry amendments.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the proposed amendment of the committee by adding the following proviso to the fifth section:

"*Provided*, That in no case shall the penalty of the bond be reduced, so as to make the same less than four times the amount of the school fund of the county;" which was agreed to.

The amendments proposed by the committee as amended were then agreed to.

Mr. Norris moved to amend the fifty-eighth section of the bill, by striking out "twenty," and inserting "sixty," which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill was amended by striking out all between the word "services," in the eighth line, and the word "provided," in the tenth line of the eighty-fifth section.

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the eighty-fifth section by striking out all after the word "sales" in the fourth line to the word "provided," in the tenth line, and inserting the following: "and the school commissioners and treasurers of incorporated townships shall receive — per cent. on the whole amount of the principal funds in their hands, in full compensation for all their services, except in selling school lands;" which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The following proviso was added to the seventeenth section:

"*Provided*, That the said lands shall not be valued for a less sum than one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre," and also the twentieth section amended by striking out the words "in which the land is situated," in the first and second lines, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Laying the care and superintendence of said land."

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Whiteside,

The eighty-fifth section of the bill was further amended by adding the following:

"And that the county commissioners may allow the school commissioner a reasonable compensation for his services out of the county treasury, where the per centum on school funds as provided in this act, in their

judgments, is not sufficient to pay them a reasonable compensation for their services."

Mr. Smith of Crawford moved to amend the nineteenth section of the bill, by striking out the words "as in case of money loaned," and inserting "at eight per cent. per annum on notes now due, and on notes hereafter given for lands sold."

Mr. Collins moved so to amend the proposed amendment, that all lands hereafter affected shall draw ten per cent. per annum.

On motion of Mr. Blakeman,

The proposed amendment to the amendment was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The amendment proposed by Mr. Smith of Crawford was laid on the table by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Douglas and Browning, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Norris, Penn, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, West, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Compton, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Flanders, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Hanson, Hicks, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Mitchell, Owen, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Vinyard, and Wilson—30.

Mr. Blair moved to amend the bill by inserting after the seventy-sixth section, the following section:

"It shall be the duty of the treasurers of townships, to lay before the trustees of schools at their semi-annual meeting in April and October of each year, a record of the returns made by the school directors, containing the number of white children under the age of twenty years, in each school district within their respective townships; and the trustees shall make the apportionment of interest arising from the township funds, and the interest arising from the school, college and seminary funds, equally, according to the number of white children under the age of twenty years within each school district respectively."

Mr. Brown of Sangamon demanded the previous question, which was not agreed to; when,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill for "An act to establish and maintain common schools," was taken up for consideration.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, it was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The bill was amended by inserting after the word "commissioner," in the second line of the fifty-fifth section, the words "shall be delivered by him to the clerk of the county commissioners' court for safe keeping, and shall be recorded by him in a book to be kept for that purpose, and."

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the eighty-fourth section of the bill by striking out all to the words "satisfied," in the fifth line, and inserting,

"There shall be appointed in each county, by the county commissioners' court, three competent persons, who shall be called inspectors of schools; whose duty it shall be to examine all persons proposing to teach a school in their several counties, a majority of said inspectors."

Mr. Logan moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words "county commissioners' court," and inserting the words "circuit courts;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Spicer moved to amend the amendment by striking out the words "a majority," and inserting the words "either one;" when,

On motion of Mr. Norris,

The proposed amendment and the amendment to the amendment were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The bill was amended by adding the following to the fifty-seventh section:

"*Provided*, in all cases, when the township funds can be safely loaned within the limits of the township, the citizens thereof shall have the preference, and it shall be the duty of the treasurer to loan out the funds to residents of the township, in sums not exceeding one hundred dollars: *Provided*, that original purchasers of school lands may borrow sums over one hundred dollars."

On motion of Mr. Horney,

The bill was amended by inserting after the word "aforesaid," in the fourth line of the forty-eighth section, the following, viz:

"And shall take the following oath before some person authorised to administer the same. That we, A. B. C. D. & E. F. do solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that we will faithfully, impartially, and to the best of our judgments, perform the duties of trustees of schools, for township (blank) of range (blank) according to law, so help us God."

On motion of Mr. Andrus,

The thirty-ninth section was amended by adding the following:

"And when any township shall be divided by a county line, the commissioners of the county having the care and superintendence of the school lands of said township shall appoint two of the trustees on that side of the county line which contains the greater portion of the inhabitants of said township."

Mr. Bishop moved to amend the thirty-second section, by striking out the word "twelve" in the third line, and inserting the word "six," which was not agreed to.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago;"

"An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga, in the county of Union;"

"An act organising a school district in the county of Iroquois, and authorising the sale of school lands therein."

The committee also report as correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title:

"A bill to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county."

Mr. Ames moved to reconsider the vote given this afternoon, rejecting the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, to the bill for "An act to establish and maintain common schools;" which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ewing and Blair, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ewing, Flanders, Graves, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Starne, West, White, Woodworth, Yates and Mr. Speaker—43.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hannaford, Hatch, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Nesbit, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitcomb, Whitten and Wilson—41.

Mr. Turner demanded a call of the House.

Pending the call of the House, Mr. Cochran, on leave, moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That on a call of the House, the names of absent members be entered on the journals.

Mr. Thompson moved so to amend the resolution, as to except from its provisions, members absent by permission, in committee, members sick, and members having leave of absence; when,

On motion of Mr. Starne,

The resolution and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. Glass obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gobble.

Mr. Caldwell, for Mr. Brown of Sangamon, and

Mr. Bell, for Mr. Bone.

A message from the Governor by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Governor to lay before the House a written communication; which was read, and together with an accompanying document,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Laid on the table.

Pending the further call of the House, Mr. Hanson, on leave, moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, the present laws of the State, requiring the assessment of every species of personal property as well as real, for the purpose of raising revenue for State and county purposes, is unequal and unjust, and contrary to the true spirit of the Constitution of the State:

And whereas, all the citizens of the State who cultivate the soil for a livelihood, and who reside at or near any of the navigable rivers around and in the State, with but little, if any cost of transportation, find at all times the best and highest prices for all their produce, such as wheat, flour, corn, oats, potatoes, hemp, tobacco, and all other productions of the soil; and

Whereas, those who live or reside in the interior counties and remote from such markets, navigation or outlets for produce, in consequence of the great cost of transportation of such productions of the soil, and are compelled to resort to the raising of such live stock as can be taken to market on foot; and

Whereas, the assessment of taxable property is made by law, at a season of the year, either before such produce of the soil is raised, or after it is entirely disposed of, so that the raisers of all such produce entirely escape the payment of taxes on all their productions; while upon the other hand all those living in the interior counties, who are thus compelled to raise stock, that cannot be brought to sufficient maturity for market under from one to four and five years time, are bound by law to pay each and every year the same is maturing, an enormous tax, thereby throwing the great burthen of the revenue on the inhabitants of the interior counties, who are more inconvenient to water navigation and city markets, which is very discouraging, unequal and oppressive; therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary be instructed to inquire into the expediency and propriety of so amending the revenue law, as to exempt all hogs under one year old, all cattle under three years old, and all horses and mules under three years old from taxation, and that they report by bill or otherwise; which,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question recurring on adopting the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Ewing, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Bishop, Elair, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Graves, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, West, Whitcomb, and White—40.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hannaford, Hatch, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth and Mr. Speaker—50.

M. Ewing demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Manning and Kuykendall, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Wilson—61.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Blair, Brown of Pike, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Flanders, Graves, Hambaugh, Hinton, Horney, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Vinyard, West, White, and Mr. Speaker—28.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they have this day laid before the Council of Revision, for their approval, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago."

A bill for "An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga, in the county of Union."

"An act organizing a school district in the county of Iroquois, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein."

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The rules of the House were dispensed with, and he introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of Joel A. Matteson;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Canals and Canal Lands.

Mr. McClernand, from the joint select committee appointed to confer on the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on the Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," made a report at length; which was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof; when
The House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wheat presented the petition of citizens of Adams county, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of the counties of Adams, Hancock, Brown and Schuyler; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Wheat presented the petition of sundry citizens of Schuyler county, praying the organization of a new county out of parts of the counties of Adams, Hancock, Brown and Schuyler; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Also the petitions of citizens of Adams county, praying the incorporation of an Agricultural Exporting and Manufacturing Company in said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr Vandever presented the petition of citizens of Shelby, Christian, and Sangamon counties, praying a change and relocation of a part of the Charleston and Darwin turnpike road; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Vandever, Caldwell and Howard be that committee.

Mr. Koerner presented the petition of William Kinney, praying relief; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Horney presented the petition of citizens of Schuyler county, praying the reduction of interest, and for other purposes; which was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Horney, Cochran and Aldrich be that committee.

Mr. Gregg presented the petition of sundry citizens of Du Page county, praying the adoption of measures to prevent trespass upon lands owned by the State; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Fowler obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hanson.

Mr. Hick presented the petition of Jarrett Gest, praying a divorce; which was read; when

Mr. Simms moved the indefinite postponement of the petition; which was not agreed to.

The petition was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hick, Vinyard, and Flanders, be that committee.

Mr. Woodworth presented the petition of George W. Armstrong, praying for certain relief therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Browning presented the petition of Levi Stillman and 134 others, praying the repeal of certain laws relative to free negroes and slaves; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The petition of Charles Armstrong, praying a divorce, was taken up and referred to the same select committee to which was referred the petition of Jarret Gest.

Mr. Browning presented the petition of Electa Terril and others, praying the repeal of certain laws in force in this State, relative to free negroes and slaves; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Pickering presented the petition of Henry I. Mills, and others, praying for "An act for relief to the holders of internal improvement

scrip; which was read, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which had been referred a bill for "An act for the better security of State, county and township funds," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Aldrich,

The bill was re-committed to the same committee, with instructions.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, its Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago."

"An act to change the name of the town of Saratoga, in Union county.

"An act to re-locate a part of a State road in Franklin county, to Equality, in Gallatin county."

"An act organizing a school district in the county of Iroquois, and authorising the sale of school lands therein."

Mr. Gregg, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," reported the same back, with sundry amendments; which were agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill was committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next, and

Ordered to be printed, as amended, for the use of the House.

Mr. Vandever, from the select committee to which had been referred the petition of citizens of Christian county, praying for a State road therein named, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary;"

A bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Okaw.

Mr. Lawler, from the select committee to which had been referred the petition of citizens of White and Edwards counties, praying the passage of a law authorizing Price H. Howell and John Hodgson to erect a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river, in the county of White, reported a bill for "An act to authorize Price H. Howell and John Hodgson to build a mill-dam;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Green of Clay,
Referred to a select committee of seven.

Ordered, That Messrs. Green of Clay, Loy, Pickering, Lawler, West, Dubois, and Marshall, be that committee.

Mr. Brinkley, from the committee on Education, to which had been referred the petition of sundry citizens of Vermilion county, praying for the organization of a school district therein named, and for other purposes, reported a bill for "An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which had been referred the petition of T. C. King, reported a bill for "An act to compensate Thomas C. King for services rendered, and moneys spent;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Garrett moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on Roads be instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the "Act concerning public roads;" approved Feb. 20, 1841, as,

1st. To repeal so much thereof as requires applicants for the review and location of a new road, to deposit in the county treasury money sufficient to pay the expenses of the review, before the county commissioners' court shall order said review.

2d. To require that applicants for a new road shall reside in the road district or districts through which said road may pass. That the person or persons circulating petitions for a new road, shall make oath that the persons whose names are on said petition or petitions, reside in the road district or districts through which said road will pass; that they are legal voters, and that they signed the petition for the purpose therein stated; and that said petitioners shall, instead of one day, as now required by law, perform four days labor on said road.

3d. To require the clerk of the county commissioners' court to keep a record, in a separate book kept for the purpose, of all roads now located, or hereafter to be located in his county.

4th. To require surveyors of roads, in making out a plat of any road, as now required by law, to designate the sections in each township in which said road may be located; and that they report by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Ervin moved to amend the resolution as follows, viz:

"And that the county shall not be chargeable with the expenses of locating roads;" which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The resolution was amended as follows:

"Also, to inquire into the propriety of requiring the amount collected from non-residents for road tax, to be expended in the township or district where the lands so taxed shall be located."

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

The resolution was further amended as follows:

"Also, to so amend the law as to make road supervisors elected by the voters of each respective road district;" when,

On motion of Mr. Bibbens,

The resolution, as amended, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to inform this House, at his earliest convenience, of the number of copies of the revised laws of 1833, that have been distributed to the counties of this State; the number of copies each county has received, if known; also, the number and names of the counties, if any, that have not had any of said laws distributed among them; also, the number of copies on hand that may be distributed.

Mr. Davis of Bond presented for adoption a memorial, addressed to the Congress of the United States, praying that body to pass a law providing for the reduction of the postage on letters; which was read; when

Mr. Pickering moved the following amendment:

"And that all Senators and Representatives of the several State Legislatures may enjoy the franking privilege during the time they may be on public service, during the sessions of their respective Legislatures;" which was not agreed to.

The memorial and resolution were then agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Bell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to attach part of the county of La Salle to the county of Marshall;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Bloomington, in McLean county, to Knoxville, in Knox county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. McMillan, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to legalize the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;" which was read the first time, and

Mr. Logan moved the indefinite postponement of the bill; which was not agreed to. The bill was then

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Cushman, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,' approved July 21, 1837;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Woodworth, Cushman, and Bibbens, be that committee.

Mr. Graves, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act authorizing the building of a bridge over the Picatonica river, in Stephenson county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Bishop, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force Feb. 9, 1835;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Dickinson, Bishop, and McDonald of Calhoun, be that committee.

Mr. Blakeman, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act to regulate the apprehension of offenders, and for other purposes,' approved Jan. 6, 1827;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was then read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The Senate's bill for "An act to fix the tenure of certain offices;" was read the second time, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The bill for "An act to locate a State road from Marion, in Williamson county, to Jonesboro, in Union county," was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for 'An act to locate a State road from Lancaster Landing, in Peoria county, to Farmington, in Fulton county,' was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were read the third time, and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act to authorise the county court of Lawrence county to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act disposing of the public property in Vandalia, and for other purposes;'"

"An act to establish a ferry therein named;"

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Senate bill for "An act relative to the roof of the State House," was read the third time and passed.

Senate bill for "An act legalizing certain records in Greene county, and authorizing recorders to appoint deputies in certain cases," was read the third time and passed.

Senate bill for "An act to increase the number of justices of the peace in the justices' districts therein named," was read the third time and passed.

Senate bill for "An act to change the name of Lavinia Joliff and Hannah Clark," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The following Senate bills were read the third time by their titles and passed:

A bill for "An act for the location of a State road in the counties of Monroe and St. Clair;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Utica to Killa's Landing, in Fulton county."

A bill for "An act to re-locate first street, in the town of St. Charles, in Kane county;"

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Peoria Water Company," was read the third time and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in the amendments to said bill.

The engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act, entitled 'An act to locate and change certain State roads,' approved Feb. 27, 1841;" was read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein; when,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were read the third time, and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act in relation to the Cumberland road;"

A bill for "An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;"

A bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of William Moore of St. Clair county, for the year 1841;"

A bill for "An act to authorize Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-ldam on the rapids of the Mississippi river."

A bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes;'"

"An act amending the several acts relating to attachments;"

A bill for "An act concerning evidence in certain cases;"

"An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' approved Feb, 26, 1841."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain offices," was read the third time and passed; when,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The title was amended by striking out the word "offices," and inserting the word "rooms."

Ordered, that the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill for "An act to provide for the extinguishment of the debt incurred on account of the system of internal improvements," was read the third time and passed.

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the title of the bill so as to have it read "An act to appropriate certain moneys collected by the General Government from the people of the United States, for the purpose of distributing it again among the same people;" which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The title was amended so as to read "An act to provide for the payment of the interest on the school, college and seminary fund."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties,'" was read the third time and

On motion of Mr. Aldrich,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Engrossed bill for "An act entitled 'An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county,'" was read the third time and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dennis and Hicks, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of

Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, and Whitten—63.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Collins, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hambaugh, Harper, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Langworthy, Menard, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Whitcomb, White, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—38.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

The engrossed bill for "An act to legalize the acts of certain officers therein named," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Marshall to lease certain offices," was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The title of the bill was amended by striking out the word "offices," and inserting the word "rooms."

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The title was further amended by striking out the words "of the county of Marshall."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bills for "An act to reduce the State debt, and for other purposes," was read the third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Horney,

The consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Engrossed bill for "An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county," the rule being dispensed with, was read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bill for "An act making compensation to the Quartermaster General of this State," was read the third time, when the House refused to pass the bill, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Kuykendall, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Bell, Burklow, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, McClernand, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Mitchell, Norris, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Thompson, West, Whitten, Wilson, and Yates—54.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were read the third time and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act to revise the laws, and to condense them into one volume;"

A bill for "An act in relation to the distribution of the laws and documents of the Congress of the United States;"

A bill for "An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund between the counties of Clay and Richland;"

A bill for "An act to refund to Daniel B. Bush, certain moneys wrongfully paid into the treasury.

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bills of the following titles; the rule of the House being dispensed with, were read the third time by their titles, and passed, viz:

A bill for "An act to authorise the school commissioners of Clay county to settle with the school commissioner of Richland county;"

A bill for "An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs;"

"An act to authorise Henry H. Singleton to build a mill-dam across the Crab Orchard creek."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning public roads, approved February 20, 1841;' " was read the third time, when

Mr. Kuykendall moved to indefinitely postpone the further consideration of the bill; the bill was informally laid aside; when,

On motion of Mr. Bradley,

The rule was dispensed with, and the engrossed bill for "An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county," was taken up, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bradley, McClernand, and Dickinson be that committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred in the report of the committee of conference upon the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on the amend-

ments of the Senate to a bill from the House for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation."

They have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act in relation to judgments and executions;"

A bill for "An act appropriating the ten per cent. fund to purposes of education;"

A bill for "An act to authorise John Vanfleet to build a dam across Fox river;"

A bill for "An act authorising counties to give bounties on wolf scalps;"

A bill for "An act for the relief of Calvin Gould."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hannaford presented the petition of citizens of Peoria, asking to be incorporated into a company for a ferry across the Illinois river at Peoria; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Ervin presented the remonstrance of citizens of the town of Macomb, against the repeal of the charter of said town; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions for the repeal of said charter.

Mr. Hick presented the petition of sundry physicians of Shawneetown, praying for a law regulating the practice of medicine, and to prevent quackery, together with a preamble and resolution, adopted by a meeting of physicians; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hick, Anderson, and Green of Clay be that committee.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed a bill for "An act in relation to burying grounds, church yards, and lands used by literary institutions."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Gregg presented the petition of James O'Conner, praying the passage of a law authorising him to establish a ferry across the Illinois river at the town of Enterprise, in La Salle county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dubois presented the petition of sundry citizens of Richland county, praying an alteration in the law making apportionment of the representation of the several counties in this State; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, Dubois, and Dennis be that committee.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act to fix the tenure of certain officers," re-

ported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, when the bill, as amended, was read a third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act in relation to certain records in Adams county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dennis, from the select committee to which was referred a resolution proposing an alteration of the time of holding circuit courts, reported a bill for "An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Courtright,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Courtright, Arnold, and Collins be that committee.

Mr. Menard, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to vacate a part of the plat of Wesley city," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Haley, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of Warren county, reported a bill for "An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren, to that of Boston;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Stewart, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on the lands near the Illinois and and Michigan canal;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetary Association," reported the same back to the House without amendment, and recommended its passage; the bill was then

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Menard, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorise the county commissioners of Tazewell county to appoint an agent or agents for certain purposes therein named;" reported

the same back to the House and recommended its passage;" when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, there are many subjects of great importance referred to the several committees of the House of Representatives for their consideration:

And whereas, an early adjournment is very desirable by the members of this House, as well as by the people of the State:

And whereas, it is the desire and duty of this Legislature to pursue a course of rigid economy; therefore,

Resolved, That the several committees occupy this Hall from night to night as it may suit their convenience; and that no person be allowed to occupy this Hall for the purpose of lecturing on any subject whatever.

On motion of Mr. Bone,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted, viz:

Whereas, the Legislature of 1829, appropriated the sum of two thousand dollars for the improvement of the navigation of the Sangamon river:

And whereas, said sum of two thousand dollars has been received by the county commissioners of Sangamon county, and has never been appropriated to the improvement of said river.

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed, whose duty it shall be to inquire into the expediency of expending said sum on the improvement of said river, or for other purposes, and report by bill or otherwise.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bone, Ewing, Pratt, Hickman, and Epler be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

Resolved, That the committee on Finance be instructed to report a bill making it the duty of collectors to pay over to the school commissioners of their respective counties that portion of the State tax, designed as interest on the school fund.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to regulate the practice of physic and surgery;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Murphy, Jonas, and Burklow be that committee.

Mr. Kuykendall, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorise S. J. Chapman to add an addition to the town of Vienna, in Johnson county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bibbens, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorise Freeman Mills to keep a ferry across the Illinois river at La Salle, in La Salle county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to authorise Elijah D. Ewing to convey real estate," as amended by them.

In which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Yates, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Morgan Institute,'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal 'An act to incorporate the city and bank of Cairo,' approved January 9, 1818;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Spicer, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act declaring a certain road therein named a State road, and for locating a State road from the east line of Mercer county to the town of Millersburg in said county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Hicks, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act entitled 'An act for the protection of the property of married women,'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Caldwell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Andrus, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Rock river Bridge Company;" which was read the first time by the title, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was read the second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Bell presented a copy of a return of an election held in reference to attaching a part of La Salle to Marshall county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill for "An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College in the State of Illinois," was taken from the orders of the day, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Vinyard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal certain sections of an act entitled 'An act, approved December 16, 1840, incorporating the city of Nauvoo, in the county of Hancock,'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Arnold presented the following paper, viz:

Hon. Samuel Hoard asks leave to enter an explanation of the report of the committee of conference between the two Houses, that although he concurred in the conclusions and recommendations of the committee in relation to the disagreeing vote of the two Houses on certain amendments of the Senate to the bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," he does not assent to or concur with all the arguments and reasoning of said report;" which being read, was

On motion of Mr. Menard,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from A. G. Henry, late State House Commissioner, relative to his accounts with the State, which was read, and referred to the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Mr. Woodworth, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Fire Insurance Company,' approved February 26, 1839," which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to regulate elections for Senator and Representative of Richland and Clay counties;"

A bill for "An act to authorise the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry county;"

And, as correctly enrolled, a bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation;" when

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes," coming up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

The nineteenth section of the bill was amended in the ninth line, by striking out the word "said," between the words "of" and "county," and in-

serting the word "now," and also, by striking out the word "said," at the commencement of said ninth line, and inserting the word "now;" and also, the twenty-third section was amended by prefixing to said section before the words "this act," the following:

"As soon as the said county of Marquette shall be organised, and the clerk of the county commissioners' court of said county of Adams notified thereof, the treasurer of the said county of Adams, shall pay and deliver over to the treasurer of said county of Marquette, for the use of said county, such proportion of the funds now in the treasury of said county of Adams, for the use of said county, and in the kind of funds in which the same was collected, as the value of the taxable property, lying and being within the limits of the said county of Marquette, bears to the value of the taxable property lying and being within the now county of Adams, as appears on the book or books of the assessor of said Adams county, for the year eighteen hundred and forty-two, and the taxes assessed upon the property lying and being within the limits of said county of Marquette, for eighteen hundred and forty-two, shall be collected by the collecting officer of the county of Adams, the same as if said county had not been divided, and the amount collected for the use of the county paid into the county treasury of said county of Adams, the same as is now required by law, and the treasurer of the county of Adams shall immediately thereafter pay and deliver over to the treasurer of the county of Marquette, for the use of said county, such proportion of the aforesaid amount as the value of said taxable property, lying and being within the limits of the said county of Marquette, bears to the value of said taxable property lying and being within the limits of the now county of Adams, as appears upon the aforesaid book or books of the aforesaid assessor. And it shall be the duty of the aforesaid treasurer of said county of Adams, to take duplicate receipts for the money so to be paid by him as aforesaid, from the treasurer of said county of Marquette, one of which he shall cause to be filed in the office of the clerk of the county commissioners' court of said county of Adams."

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the fourth clause of the nineteenth section, by inserting after the word "Adams," and before the words "at the time," the following, viz;

"And all other property either real or personal, and all moneys, notes, bonds, &c., of any description, owned and belonging to said county of Adams."

"*Provided however*, that the public square in the city of Quincy shall be excepted from the provisions of this section, unless said public square should at any time hereafter be sold and converted into private property, in which event the county of Marquette shall be entitled to one half of the proceeds of such sale; and excepting also, from the provisions of this section, the cemetery and market house and lot in said city of Quincy."

Mr. Wheat demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish a ferry across the Illinois river;' approved February 23, 1841," was taken up, read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hickman.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The Senate bill for "An act to appoint bank commissioners, and defining their duties," was taken up, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The bill for "An act to authorise Elijah D. Ewing and William Malony to convey real estate," was taken up, and the Senate's amendment thereto concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with; when the amendment, proposed by Mr. Jonas, was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Jonas and Menard, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClelland, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Harper, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vinyard, Woodworth, and Yates—46.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to authorise the county commissioners of Lee county to levy a tax;"

A bill for "An act organising a school district in Vermilion county, and authorising the sale of school lands therein;"

A bill for "An act to compensate Thomas C. King for services rendered, and moneys spent;"

"An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell;"

"An act to locate a State road from Marion, in Williamson county, to Jonesboro, in Union county;"

"An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing, in Peoria county, to Farmington, in Fulton county;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county."

And have laid before the Council of Revision "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation."

The bill for "An act to legalise the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county," was read the second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning public roads,' approved February 20, 1841," was read the third time.

Mr. Kuykendall having withdrawn his motion to indefinitely postpone the bill, when,

Mr. Blakeman moved to amend the bill by adding the following:

"SEC. 2. The county commissioners' court of each and every county shall, if they deem it expedient, at the March term annually, assess a road tax (in addition to the labor tax said court may think proper to impose and require by the fourteenth section of the road law, approved February 20, 1841,) of not more than ten cents on every hundred dollars worth of taxable property, real and personal, or either, and a column in the tax book shall designate the amount of road tax due from each person, to be collected.

"That the fifteenth section of an act concerning public roads, approved February 20, 1841, be, and the same is hereby repealed."

Mr. Turner moved to amend the amendment by striking out the word "personal" and by striking out the word "ten," and inserting the words "twenty-five;" when,

On motion of Mr. Simms,

The bill and proposed amendments were indefinitely postponed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Simms and Dollins, as follows, viz.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bone, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Graves, Green of Clay, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Menard, Mitchell, Owen, Penn, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—63.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang, Browning, Cloud, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Garrett, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Langworthy, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Weatherford, Whitcomb, and Mr. Speaker—43.

Engrossed bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices and probate justices of the peace and constables;" was read the third time and,

On motion of Mr. Cloud, referred to the same select committee to which was referred the Senate bill of similar import.

Engrossed bill for "An act authorizing the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Engrossed bill for "An act to refund Stacy B. Opdycke a certain sum of money with interest," was read the third time, when the House refused to pass the bill, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Menard and Hicks, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Blair, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dickinson, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Harper, Hatch, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Tackerberry, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—26.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Haley, Hambaugh, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Madden, Marshall, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—75.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Clerk:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision, to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved of a bill for "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation."

Engrossed bill for "An act for the protection of sheep and wool growers, and for other purposes," was read the third time, when

Mr. Vandever moved to lay it on the table; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Cloud moved to amend the bill by adding the following:

"*Provided*, that the provisions of this act shall apply to all stock which may be wounded, killed or disfigured by such dogs; which was not agreed to," when the bill was passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Owen and Dollins, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Compton, Courtright, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McMillan, Madden, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—55.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Fowler, Haley, Hambaugh,

Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Menard, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Vandever, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Mr. Horney moved to substitute the following as the title of the bill:

"An act for the destruction of dogs, and to multiply law suits in the State of Illinois;" which was not agreed to.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein; when,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dubois presented the petition of citizens of Montgomery county, praying an alteration of the law fixing the ratio of representation of the several counties in the State; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions of similar import.

Mr. Harper presented the petition of forty-eight voters of Henry county, praying that a part of said county be attached to the county of Stark.

Also, the remonstrance of Eben Townsend and sixty-two other voters of Henry county, against annexing any part of said county to Stark county; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Mason county, praying relief, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act to provide for the distribution of the interest upon the school, college and seminary fund to new counties;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Whitten, from the committee on Counties, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to establish the county of Audubon," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. McClernand, from the joint select committee, appointed to divide the State into seven Congressional districts, reported a bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Dollins moved that the rule of the House be dispensed with, and the bill be now read a second time by its title; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Wesley city, in the county of Tazewell;"

A bill for "An act to authorize S. J. Chapman to add an addition to the town of Vienna, in Johnson county;"

A bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Tazewell county to appoint an agent or agents for certain purposes therein named;"

"A bill to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois;"

A bill for "An act in relation to certain records in Adams county."

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the protection of the property of married women," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bradley, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and documents of Jackson county," reported the same back to the House, with sundry amendments; which were concurred in, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force Feb. 9, 1835," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; when

Mr. Bishop moved to amend the amendment proposed by the committee, by striking out the word "county," and inserting the word "neighborhood;" which was agreed to; when

The amendment, as amended, was agreed to, and the bill, as amended, referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of their bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain rooms."

They have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a memorial and resolutions, on the subject of a donation of lands, by the Congress of the United States, to aid in the construction of the Northern Cross railroad. Also, in the adoption of sundry preambles and resolutions, instructing and requesting our delegation in Congress, on the subject of the North-western boundary, and in relation to the passage of a permanent pre-emption law by Congress.

The resolution of the House empowering a joint select committee of the two Houses to send for persons and papers, and swear witnesses, in the matter of the Fund Commissioner, has been laid on the table by the Senate.

The bill from the House for "An act relating to chancery practice," the Senate have laid on the table until the fourth of July next.

Mr. Koerner, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of John Pearson, praying relief, made a report at length upon the subject matter contained in the petition, accompanied by a bill for an act entitled "An act for the relief of John Pearson;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time, by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Mitchell, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to circuit clerks, pertaining to certain duties therein named," reported the same back to the House, and,

On motion of Mr. Aldrich,

It was referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Engrossed bill for "An act to exempt certain articles from execution," was read the third time, when

Mr. Norris moved to amend the bill by adding the following, viz:

"*Provided, however,* any head of a family designing to remove out of the county, shall give at least six months notice, in four of the most public places in the county, of such intention, before he shall be entitled to the benefit of this act, when,

On motion of Mr. Vandever,

The proposed amendment was laid on the table.

Mr. Hanson demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the bill pass?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Turner and Lawler, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Cloud, Compton, Dennis, Dickinson, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sang., Browning, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Marshall, Norris, Penn, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Whitten, and Wilson—43.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Brown of Pike obtained leave of absence for Mr. Blair.

Engrossed bill for "An act to locate a State road from Quincy, in Adams county, to Augusta, in Hancock county," was read the third time by its title, and passed.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were read the third time, and passed, viz:

"An act to repeal a part of the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Chicago,' approved Feb. 27, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society;'"

A bill for "An act to regulate weights and measures;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort;"

A bill for "An act to authorize the common council of the city of Chicago to straighten Madison street, in said city;"

A bill for "An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Philip Flaglers' addition to the town of Tremont, in the county of Tazewell, and authorizing the owners of blocks to close the streets;"

A bill for "An act to provide for dividing the several counties in this State, into county commissioners' districts;"

"An act to vacate the town plat of the town of Reedfield;"

"An act supplementary to 'An act authorising Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago swamp;'"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the interest on money;' approved February 28, 1833;"

A bill for "An act to vacate a part of Sampson Harris' and Leslie's addition to the town of Tremont;"

A bill for "An act to regulate the elections for Senator and Representative of Richland and Clay counties."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bill for "An act to legalize the proceedings of the trustees of schools for township thirty-three north, range three east, and for other purposes;"

"An act for the formation of the county of Okaw;"

"An act to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county;"

"An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Academy," and

"An act to authorize the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry county," were severally read the third time by their titles, and passed.

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Logan, on leave, presented the petition of James Shepherd and George Pasfield, praying relief; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary; when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed the following bills.

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

"An act concerning corporations;"

"An act requiring officers to issue and execute process;"

"An act to correct the record of the plat of the town of Charleston, Peoria county, and to change the name thereof," and

"An act to extend the limits of Bond county."

The Speaker laid before the House a communication of the Secretary of State, in answer to a call of this House, showing the number of copies of the revised laws of 1833, distributed among the several counties of the State, and the counties to which any of said laws have not been distributed; which was,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The petition of the citizens of Hancock county, relative to the school fund, was taken up and referred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions of similar import.

The bill for "An act to provide for the sale of the public property and the payment of the public debt," was taken up.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

It was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Green of Clay,

The first section of the bill was amended by adding the following proviso:

"*Provided*, that the purchaser or purchasers of the property and fixtures owned by the State, at New Haven and Carmi, on the little Wabash, shall be sold, reserving the right of navigation to the people of the State; compelling the said purchaser or purchasers, at the aforesaid places, to erect good and sufficient locks at the mill-dams, so as to effect the speedy and safe passage of boats and crafts of every description, free from charge or unnecessary delay; and for a failure to comply with the provisions of this act, it shall be a forfeiture of their purchase, and they shall be liable for all damages occasioned thereby, to be recovered before any court of competent jurisdiction by the party aggrieved.

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the fifth section by adding the following, viz:

"*Provided*, that the agents employed in the sale of the property, shall, in no case, be allowed more for their services, than the property shall sell for;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the second section of the bill by adding the following, viz:

"*Provided*, the cost of appraising such property as is required to be appraised, shall not exceed one thousand dollars."

Mr. Bell moved to amend the proposed amendment by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting "five hundred;" which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Jonas; it was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

The first section of the bill was further amended by adding the following, viz:

"Or to the lot or lots, or buildings thereon, and appurtenances thereto belonging, situate in the city of Springfield, recently occupied as the central office of the board of public works, which shall be reserved for the use and residence of the Governor of this State."

Mr. Collins moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

"SEC. 11. That all of the land remaining unsold after one year from the public sale, as provided for in the fifth section of this act, may be entered, as provided in the sixth section of this act, by paying one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre, in gold or silver;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dollins demanded the previous question."

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed for a third reading?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dubois and Browning, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—74.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Simms, Starr, Stockton, Vandever, and Yates—33.

Engrossed bill for "An act to repair the damages occasioned by the destruction of the records and documents of Jackson county;" was read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

When the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bailhache presented the petition of citizens of Alton, praying the appointment of a chaplain for the penitentiary; which was read and referred to the same select committee to which has been referred petitions and resolutions relative to the penitentiary.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of Joshua Bell and others, praying a change of the law in regard to tavern licences; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. McMillan presented the petition of citizens of Woodford county, praying a repeal of the ninth section of the act creating said county.

Also, a petition of citizens of McLean county, praying the attaching

of a part of said county, to the county of Woodford; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hannaford presented the petition of citizens of the counties of Woodford and McLean, praying the repeal of Col. Wm. May's ferry charter, across the Illinois river at Peoria; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Langworthy presented the remonstrance of citizens of Bureau county, against all divisions of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Koerner obtained leave to withdraw certain remonstrances against the passage of any stay law by the Legislature.

Mr. Langworthy presented the petition of citizens of Bureau county, praying the repeal of certain laws therein named; which was read and indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hanson presented the petition of citizens of Coles county, praying the formation of a new county.

Also, a remonstrance of citizens of said county against the formation of a new county out of parts of the counties of Coles, Shelby and Macon.

Also, the petition of citizens of Coles county, praying a division of said county; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hick presented the petition of citizens of the town of New Haven, in Gallatin county, praying the appointment of a notary public in said town, with certain powers therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ficklin presented the petition of citizens of Wabash county, praying relief; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Compton,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Compton, Ficklin, and Loy be that committee.

Mr. Menard presented the petition of twenty-six females of Bureau county, praying the repeal of all laws which operate to oppress our fellow men on account of color, and for other purposes; which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Simms,

Indefinitely postponed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Nesbit and Dollins, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bell, Bishop, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hambaugh, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—72.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Browning, Bryant, Collins, Cushman, Dougherty, Ervin,

Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Madden, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Scott, Starr, and Whitcomb—34.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bill as correctly enrolled:

"An act to authorise Elijah D. Ewing and Wm. Maloney to convey real estate."

And as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to legalise the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;"

A bill for an act entitled "An act for the relief of John Pearson;"

A bill for "An act to provide for the distribution of the interest upon the school, college and seminary funds to new counties;"

A bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act for the relief of the persons therein named."

Mr. Ames presented documents in reference to the petition for attaching a part of the county of Winnebago to the county of Boone; which, without reading, were laid on the table.

Mr. Madden presented the petition of sundry citizens, praying the repeal and alteration of certain laws relative to negroes and mulattoes; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Hannaford, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a petition of citizens of Jackson county, praying the passage of a law legalising the return of treasurers of townships to the school commissioner of said county, reported the same back to the House, and as a general bill had passed this House in conformity with the prayer of the petitioners, asked to be discharged from further consideration of the subject; which was granted.

Mr. Hannaford, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Will county, asking the reduction of interest on debts due the school fund, reported the petition back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. Hannaford, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of township four north, ten west, asking the reduction of interest on school funds, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the committee of Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred the bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835," together with an amendment proposed by Mr. Dickinson, from a select committee, reported the same back to the House, and recommended the rejection of the bill and proposed amendment.

The question being on the amendment proposed by the select committee, it was agreed to; when the bill as amended was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Menard, from the committee on Elections, to which was referred a resolution, proposing a change of the election law, so as hereafter to prohibit persons from voting out of the precinct in which they reside, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the bill for "An act to authorise Margaret C. Gibson to deed certain lands, reported the same back to the House with an amendment.

Mr. Browning moved the indefinite postponement of the bill and amendment.

Mr. Ewing demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring on Mr. Browning's motion to indefinitely postpone the bill and amendment, it was agreed to.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee on the Militia, to which was referred the petition of students of Knox Manual Labor College, praying to be exempted from doing militia duty, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Stewart obtained leave for the committee on the Militia to sit during the sessions of the day.

Mr. Gregg, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the report of the commissioners of the Illinois and Michigan canal, with accompanying documents, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The Senate's resolution, proposing instructions to the Fund Commissioner to deliver to John Duff & Co. a State bond for \$1,000, in full discharge of a certain contract, was taken up and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Cloud, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred a bill for "An act to revive 'An act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State,'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vinyard, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Bloomington, in McLean county, to Knoxville, in Knox county," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Hick, from the select committee to which was referred the petitions of Garrett Gist and Andrew Armstrong, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act for the divorce of Garrett Gist and Andrew Armstrong;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title; when,

On motion of Mr. Simms,

The bill was laid on the table until the fourth of July next.

Mr. Ames, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to regulate the practice of physic and surgery," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, which was agreed to.

Mr. Scott moved to amend the bill by adding the following:

"*Provided*, that nothing contained in this act, shall be construed to extend to steam doctors, German root doctors, or water doctors, or ladies practicing in the obstetric department;" when,

Mr. Simms moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Simms, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Fowler, Garrett, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Marshall, Nesbit, Norris, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Yates—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Starne, Turner, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—46.

Mr. Dollins obtained leave of absence for Mr. McClernand, and Mr. Andrus, for Mr. Hicks.

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

Resolved, That the Public Printers be requested to furnish the House of Representatives, without delay, with a statement of the cost to the State for printing the report of the canal commissioners to the present General Assembly, and that they specify,

- 1st. The cost of the 1,000 copies ordered by the House.
- 2d. The cost of the 500 copies ordered by the Senate.
- 3d. The cost of publishing the same in the volume of reports, and
- 4th. The difference in cost between an order for 150 copies and 1,000 copies; when,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Public Printer, in answer to a call of the House made this morning, stating the price of printing the report of the commissioners of the Illinois and Michigan canal, &c.; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Anderson, the rule of the House being dispensed with, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal 'An act concerning attorneys and counsellors at law;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title; when

Mr. Simms moved to amend the bill by adding the following:

"And also, that all laws in relation to tavern and grocery licenses, be and the same are hereby repealed."

Mr. Koerner moved the bill and proposed amendment be referred to a select committee; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Cochran moved the indefinite postponement of the whole subject; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved the reference of the bill to the committee on Banks and Corporations; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Penn moved to refer the bill and proposed amendments to the committee on the Penitentiary; which was agreed to.

Mr. Courtright, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit, reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was concurred in, and the bill as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Vance, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act amendatory of 'An act concerning the public revenue;'" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole House, on the bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and to pay the canal debt;" Mr. Owen in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and the chairman reported that they had had said bill under consideration, and asked to sit again on said subject; which was not granted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act to compensate Henry Brown for services rendered as State's Attorney, in the seventh judicial circuit;" and have laid on the table, until the fourth of July next, bills from the House of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to exempt the Shilo Meeting House tract from taxation," and

A bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Cox;" when

The House adjourned.

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House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, a bill for the relief of persons therein
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As correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetery Association;"

A bill for "An act to establish the county of Audubon," and

A bill for "An act to provide for the sale of the public property and the payment of the public debt."

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a report of the committee, consisting of Messrs. Hickox, Purple and Cotton, appointed by the Governor under the authority of a joint resolution, which required said committee to enquire into the correctness of the charges and claims set up by the bank against the State, and other matters; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to report their opinion, as to legal questions involved in, and growing out of the report between the bank and State.

Mr. Jonas presented the petition of citizens of Adams county, praying an amendment of the school law, so as to exempt trustees of townships from paying road tax; which, without reading was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Bradley presented the petition of citizens of Jackson county, praying the passage of a law authorizing the sale of saline and reserve lands in said county;" which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Salines.

Mr. Spicer presented the petition of citizens of Mercer county, praying a removal of the seat of justice for said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hatch presented the petition of citizens of Du Page, praying an enumeration to be authorized in said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Ficklin presented the remonstrance of citizens of Coles county, against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Koerner, moved that the House re-consider the vote given yesterday on the indefinite postponement of the bill for "An act to authorize Margaret C. Gibson to convey real estate;" when the House refused to reconsider its vote, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Miller and Turner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Bryant, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blake-man, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Douglas, Dutois, Edwards, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass,

Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hickman, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, White, and Whitten—57.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the sale of the saline lands in Bond county.'"

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act in relation to official bonds;"

"An act to amend an act entitled "An act to provide for leasing the saline reserves, in Jackson county, for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named.'"

They have also passed bills for "An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to diminish the State debt and to put the State Bank into liquidation;'"

"An act to provide for the collection of the revenue from delinquents in the county of Gallatin, for the year 1841," and

"An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of bills of the following titles, as amended by them.

In which amendments, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, viz:

"An act concerning the records of Jersey county," and

"An act relative to probate justices of the peace."

The bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt, coming up for consideration, the amendment to the same, made in committee of the whole House, was agreed to."

On motion of Mr. Scott,

The bill was amended by adding the following to the 16th section:

"3d. The said trustees shall then make annual dividends and payments of said money, *pro rata*, to the non-subscribing holders of bonds and canal indebtedness, principal and interest, until the said bonds and other evidences of indebtedness, are fully paid."

Mr. Browning moved to amend the bill as follows, viz:

Amend by striking out all after the enacting clause, and insert the following in lieu thereof:

"SEC. 1. That all persons who shall become stockholders pursuant to this act, shall be and they are hereby constituted a body politic and corporate by the name and style of the "Illinois and Michigan Canal Company," for the purpose of completing and maintaining the canal heretofore laid out and commenced by the State, between Chicago, on Lake Michigan, and the Illinois river.

"SEC. 2. If the said corporation shall not, within one year from the passage of this act, commence operations on said canal, and shall not, within three years thereafter, complete said canal and put the same in operation, then the said corporation shall forever cease, and this act shall be null and void, and all the stock paid in, and materials collected, and work done, shall be forfeited to the State.

"SEC. 3. The capital stock of said corporation shall be nine millions of dollars, divided into shares of _____ dollars, each, which shall be deemed personal property, and be transferred in such manner as the said corporation shall, by its by-laws, direct.

"SEC. 4. The Governor shall appoint three fit and suitable persons as commissioners, whose duty it shall be, within six months after the passage of this act, at some suitable place in the city of Chicago, to open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of the said corporation; sixty days public notice having first been given by the commissioners, of the time and place of opening said books, by advertisements published in the paper published at Springfield by the Public Printer, in one of the papers published in the city of Chicago, and in one of the papers published in the city of New York. The Governor shall also appoint three fit and suitable persons, whose duty it shall be, within six months after the passage of this act, at some suitable place in the city of New York, to open books to receive subscriptions to the capital stock of the said corporation; sixty days public notice having been first given, by said commissioners, of the time and place of opening said books, by advertisements published in some one of the newspapers published in the said city of New York, and in some one of the newspapers published in the city of Philadelphia. When any subscription to said stock is made, the commissioners receiving such subscription, shall require ten dollars per share, subscribed, to be paid to them, and unless the same shall be paid to them, the said subscription shall be vacated and annulled; and in case a greater amount, in the whole, shall be subscribed, than the said sum of nine millions of dollars, the commissioners shall distribute the stock in such manner as the majority of them shall deem most advantageous to the public interest; and whenever the said capital stock shall have been subscribed and distributed as aforesaid, or as soon thereafter as practicable, it shall be the duty of said commissioners to give thirty days notice, in some public newspaper or newspapers, for a meeting of the stockholders at such time and place as the said commissioners, or a majority of them, shall appoint, to choose three directors, and such election shall be then and there made, by such of the stockholders as shall attend for that purpose, either in person or by lawful proxy; each share of the capital stock, entitling the stockholder to one vote; and the said commissioners shall be inspectors of the first election of directors of the said corporation, and shall certify under their hands, the names of the persons duly elected, and deliver over the subscription money and books to the said directors.

"SEC. 5. The said directors shall appoint one of their number president of the board; they shall have power to appoint a secretary, and shall apportion their respective duties among themselves, and so far as is not incompatible with the provisions of this act, shall possess all the powers, and perform all the duties, conferred upon the board of commissioners of the Illinois and Michigan Canal by the act entitled "An act for the construc-

tion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal," approved Jan. 9, 1836, and the act supplementary and amendatory thereto.

"SEC. 6. It shall be lawful for said company to enter upon, and take possession of said Illinois and Michigan Canal, and every part thereof, and also of all materials which are connected therewith, and intended to be used in the construction thereof, and which belong to the State.

"SEC. 7. The capital stock of said company shall be paid as follows, to wit: Six millions of said capital stock shall be paid to the Governor of the State of Illinois, in Illinois State bonds; two millions of said bonds shall be delivered by said company to the Governor within six months after the election of directors, two millions more within after said election of directors, and the remaining two millions within after said election of directors, and if said company shall make default in the delivery of any of the bonds aforesaid, at the time herein provided, this charter shall by such default be forfeited, said company shall cease to exist, and all the stock which they may have paid in, and all the property and materials which they may have collected to aid in the construction of said canal, shall be forfeited to the State; and it shall be the duty of the Governor to cause possession to be taken of said canal, and the property aforesaid, and all books, papers, and money connected therewith, by some persons on behalf of the State, to be by him for that purpose appointed.

"SEC. 8. The six millions of stock paid to the Governor in bonds as aforesaid. shall be apportioned *pro rata* among all the stockholders, and the remaining three millions of the capital stock of said company shall be paid in cash, at such times, and in such proportions as the board of directors shall direct. The said directors shall give notice of the payments thus required, and of place where, and the time when the same are to be made, at least thirty days previous to the payment thereof, in some one of the public newspapers in the city of Chicago; and if any person shall fail to make payment of the calls upon this stock as aforesaid, he shall forfeit the same, and all payments which he may have made thereon, to the State of Illinois.

"SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the said board of directors to make out under oath a yearly statement of all moneys actually expended hereafter in the construction of said canal, and cause said statement to be filed in the Auditor's office, and the State hereby reserves the right at any time after the expiration of twenty years to purchase back said canal, by refunding to said company the amount of money actually expended by them in the completion of the same, with six per cent. upon the amount thereof, and by refunding to said company the amount of bonds which they are hereby required to deliver to the Governor of this State, in payment of six millions of their capital stock.

"SEC. 10. As soon as said canal shall be completed and ready to be put in operation, the Governor shall appoint three discreet persons, citizens of this State, who, after being duly sworn faithfully to discharge their duties, shall proceed to appraise all the property owned by the State, and which may at any time have been received on account of said canal, including all the canal lands and canal lots; which said appraisement, when completed, shall be returned by said appraisers to the office of the Auditor of Public Accounts, and which shall be filed and preserved by said Auditor.

"SEC. 11. So soon as said appraisement shall be completed and returned, as aforesaid, all of said property so appraised, shall be added to the capital stock of the said Illinois and Michigan Canal Company, and certificates of said stock shall be issued to the State of Illinois for the appraised value thereof.

"SEC. 12. The Governor shall cause all debts, rights and credits belonging to the canal fund, for land and lots sold, or for any other purpose whatsoever, to be collected as soon as the same can be done, and shall cause all the money received thereon to be paid over from time to time, as the same is collected, to the board of directors aforesaid, taking their receipt, therefor, and causing a regular account thereof to be kept, and as soon as all of said debts, rights and credits, shall have been collected and paid over to the directors aforesaid, the whole amount thereof shall be added to the capital stock of said Illinois and Michigan Canal Company, and certificates of stock issued therefor to the State of Illinois.

"SEC. 13. Whenever the said canal shall be completed, as aforesaid and certificates of stock issued to the State, as aforesaid, a new election for directors shall take place, in which the private stockholders shall elect two directors, and the Governor shall thereupon appoint the third director, and the said board of directors, after having appointed one of their number president of the board, and electing a secretary, shall take the necessary steps, and adopt the proper measures, to put said canal into operation, and it shall be their duty from time to time, to fix, regulate and recover the tolls and charges to be received for transportation of property or persons upon said canal, or for the use of the water power and privileges thereof; and all the tolls received from said canal, and all the profits in any way derived therefrom, shall be divided between the State of Illinois and the private stockholders in said company, in proportion to the amount of stock which they respectively own in said company.

"SEC. 14. This act shall go into effect whenever the full amount of the capital stock of said company, shall be subscribed for, and directors appointed as aforesaid; and when this act goes into effect, so much of the acts heretofore passed by the Legislature of this State, in relation to the Illinois and Michigan Canal, as conflicts with the provisions of this act, shall thereafter be repealed.

"SEC. 15. The said Illinois and Michigan Canal Company, when organised as hereinbefore required; shall proceed and complete said canal upon the plan heretofore adopted for its construction, and shall not be at liberty to change the plan from that of the deep cut to that of the summit level, or to make any other material change in the general plan of the construction of said canal."

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The bill and proposed amendment were laid on the table, and the amendments ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

On motion of Mr. Brinkley,

Senate bill for "An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation,'" was taken up, and read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read a second time, the rule being dispensed with; when

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by striking out all after the word "same," in the eighth line of the same.

The rule being again dispensed with, the bill was read the third time, and passed as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the amendment to said bill.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which had been re-committed a bill for "An act for the better security of State, county, or township funds," reported the same back with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Lawler, from the committee on Counties, to which had been referred petitions from citizens of Johnson and Pope counties, praying the creation of a new county, reported a bill for "An act to create the county of Wilcox;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, when

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill was amended in the second section, by adding after the words "county commissioners," the words "county surveyor."

Mr. Cochran moved further to amend the bill by striking out the word "Wilcox," and inserting "Benton;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Vinyard moved to strike out "Wilcox;" and insert "Harrison;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Vinyard then moved "Ohio;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved "Van Buren;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Starne moved the previous question; which was not sustained.

Mr. Dollins moved to strike out "Wilcox;" which was agreed to; when

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The blank was filled with the name of Massac; when,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ames obtained leave of absence for Mr. Vinyard.

Mr. Blakeman obtained leave of absence for Mr. Mitchell.

Mr. Wheat, for Mr. Hambaugh.

Mr. Jonas, for Mr. Ewing, and

Mr. Lockard, for Mr. Dougherty.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have refused to concur in the amendment of the

the House of Representatives to the bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act to diminish the State debt, and put the State Bank into liquidation.'"

I am further directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with them in the passage of their bill for "An act authorising an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middletown precinct, in McDonough county," as amended by the Senate.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The House receded from their amendment to the Senate's bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation.'"

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Cloud, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorise a change in a State road in Morgan county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to attach part of the county of Woodford to the county of Marshall;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Bishop,

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Howard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorise the sheriff of Shelby county, to sell non-resident lands for taxes;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Howard, and Whitten be that committee.

Mr. Hatch, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Naperville Cemetery;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Kuykendall, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Woodworth, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,'" approved July 21, 1837, reported the

same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to; when,

“ On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Senate bill for “An act supplemental to ‘An act for the sale of certain lots therein named,’ approved February 26, 1841,” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Senate bill for “An act to repeal the law incorporating the town of Chester,” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for “An act to change the name of the town of Florence, Ogle county, to that of Oregon,” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Andrus,

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for “An act granting a ferry to Thomas Eagan,” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The rule was dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Kuykendall, Cochran, and Dollins be that committee.

Senate bill for “An act for the relief of Francis Inman and others,” was read the first time, and refused a second reading.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for an act entitled “An act for the re-survey of the town of Carlyle, in Clinton county,” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

On motion of Mr. Dennis,

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for “An act to vacate a State road therein named,” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and,

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act concerning the public revenue,’” was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

House bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the counties of Mercer, St. Clair, Macoupin, and other counties of the State, in the year 1842," as amended by the Senate, was taken up, and the amendment was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to tax lands five years from date of entry," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill read a second time by the title; when,

Mr. Simms moved that the bill be referred to a select committee.

Mr. Koerner moved its reference to the committee on the Judiciary; which was agreed to.

Senate bill for "An act for the relief of William M. Bell," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Senate bill for "An act in relation to burying grounds, church yards, and lands used by literary institutions," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Senate bill for "An act to enable the collector of Monroe county to collect the delinquent taxes of 1839," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved that the House now take up for consideration a bill for "An act providing for laying off the State into seven congressional districts;" which was not agreed to.

Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorise the sale of saline lands in Bond county,'" was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Senate bill for "An act to legalise the survey of the town of Mount Vernon," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bills, as correctly enrolled.

"An act to compensate Henry Brown for services rendered as State's Attorney in the seventh judicial circuit;"

As correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to revive 'An act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Josephine to Knoxville;"

A bill for "An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit;"

A bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835."

The House bill for "An act concerning the records of Jersey county," was taken up, and the amendment of the Senate thereto, was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The House bill for "An act relative to probate justices of the peace," was taken up, and the amendment of the Senate thereto, was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to vacate part of a State road in Peoria," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Turner moved to adjourn until Monday next; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Davis of Bond and Blake-man, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Browning, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Douglas, Ervin, Flanders, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Horney, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Owen, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, Turner, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—31.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manniag, Nesbit, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, West, Weatherford, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—66.

When the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ficklin presented the remonstrance of citizens of Coles county, remonstrating against a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Smith of Hancock presented the petition of Matthias McW. Bovee, praying a divorce; which, was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

It was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the petition of sundry citizens of Harrisburgh Whiteside county, praying that the name of said town be changed to that of Sterling; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson of Whiteside, Andrus, and Harper, be that committee.

Mr. Dennis presented the petition of Julius Dew, and 200 others, praying the establishment of a State road therein described; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee,

Ordered, That Messrs. Dennis, White, and Thompson, be that committee.

Mr. Bibbens presented the petition of citizens of Kendall and La Salle counties, praying the incorporation of Newark Academy. The reading of the petition was dispensed with, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. McBride presented the petition of Spencer Ellsworth, praying a divorce; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

It was indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of John Frink, Eli B. Williams, and others, praying for "An act to incorporate the Chicago Turnpike Company;" which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of N. B. Judd, Daniel Elsten, and others, asking for an alteration in the charter of the city of Chicago; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Burklow, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred a bill for "An act to authorize Freeman Mills to keep a ferry across the Illinois river, at La Salle, in La Salle county," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, and recommended its passage; which amendment was agreed to, and

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to incorporate the Rock river Bridge Company," reported the same back to the House, and recommended the bill to be amended by striking out the 6th section; which amendment was agreed to; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported bills, as correctly enrolled, of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for leasing the saline reserves, in Jackson county, and for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named;'"

"An act in relation to official bonds;"

"An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein;"

"An act to provide for the collection of the revenue due from delinquents, in the county of Gallatin, for the year 1841."

As correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title:

A bill for "An act to create the county of Massac."

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 26, 1839," reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Logan moved the indefinite postponement of the bill; which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Woodworth and Logan, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, and Yates—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Nesbit, Norris, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—56.

Mr. Logan moved to add the following, as an additional section to the bill, viz:

"All insurance companies in this State shall be liable to be sued upon their policies of insurance, in any county in the State, wherein the loss to the insured may occur, any thing in their charters to the contrary, notwithstanding."

Mr. Ficklin moved the indefinite postponement of the amendment; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Davis of Bond and Brown of Sangamon, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Cochran, Ficklin, Hannaford, Horney, Lockard, McDonald of Calhoun, Norris, and Vance—9.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering,

Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—92.

Mr. Cochran moved to lay the bill and proposed amendment on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Cochran, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang. Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, and Yates—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Mr. Jonas moved the previous question; which was sustained.

On the question—"Shall the amendment, proposed by Mr. Browning, be adopted?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Weatherford, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—90.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Bradley, Cochran, Hannaford, Horney, Koerner, McDonald of Calhoun, Norris, Stewart, and Vance—13.

On the question—"Shall the bill, as amended, be engrossed for a third reading?"

It was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Browning and Weatherford, as follows, to wit:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, and Yates—46.

When the House adjourned.

MONDAY, JANUARY 30, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The bill for "An act to define the bounds of Boone county," was taken up, and

The following amendment proposed by Mr. Madden, to wit:

"*Provided*, that a majority of the legal voters on the aforesaid named sections, do not vote against being attached to the county of Boone at the next August election;" which was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Burklow,

The bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit," was taken up and referred to a select committee, composed of two from the second and third judicial circuits, respectively.

Ordered, That Messrs. Burklow, Dollins, Dickinson and Koerner, be that committee.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved bills of the following titles, to-wit:

"An act to authorize Elijah D. Ewing and William Maloney to convey real estate;"

"An act for the relief of persons therein named;"

"An act to amend an act entitled, 'An act to provide for leasing the Saline reserves in Jackson county, and for granting pre-emption rights to certain persons therein named;'"

"An act in relation to official bonds;"

"An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of schools lands therein;"

"An act to provide for the collection of the revenue due from delinquents in the county of Gallatin for the year 1841," and

"An act to compensate Henry Brown for services rendered as State's Attorney in the seventh judicial circuit."

Mr. Courtright presented the petition of sundry citizens of Will and Iroquois counties, praying the formation of a new county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Menard presented the petition of sundry citizens of Tazewell county, asking for a repeal of Col. May's ferry charter across the Illinois river at Peoria; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Spicer presented the petition of citizens of Mercer county, for a removal of the county seat, and remonstrating against a special location at New Boston by the Legislature, the reading of the petition and remonstrance being dispensed with, it was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Spicer presented the petition of citizens of Mercer county asking a change in the manner of voting from *viva voce* to ballot; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Cushman presented the petition of sundry citizens of La Salle county, relating to the division of La Salle county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, presented the petition of John H. Smith and others praying for the privilege to erect a dam across Fox river; which,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Was, without reading, referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson of McHenry, Ames, and Madden, be that committee.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, also, presented the petition of George Wooster, of McHenry county, praying relief; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Green of Clay presented the petition of James Cheak and others, of Richland and Clay counties, praying for relief; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Aldrich presented the petition of Samuel G. Cabbell and eighty-one others, praying a change of discipline and management of the State Penitentiary; which was read and referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition of the citizens of Tazewell county, praying a repeal of Col. Wm. L. May's ferry charter across the Illinois river at Peoria; and also, a petition of like import from sundry citizens of Woodford county, reported the same back to the House and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Woodford and Marshall counties, and also a bill for "An act to attach part of the county of Woodford to the county of Marshall," reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the same; which was granted.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, from the committee on Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act to authorize the building of a bridge over the Pecatonica river in Stephenson county," reported the bill back to the House, with an amendment, by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting a substitute for said bill; which was concurred in, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Smith of Crawford, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Crawford county, praying for the removal of the county seat of said county, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford;" which was read the first and second times, by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Andrus, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which had been referred the engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties,'" reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, striking out all after the enacting clause and inserting a substitute; when,

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

The bill and amendment were referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Dickinson, Aldrich, and Horney be that committee.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the committee on Counties, to which had been referred the petition of sundry citizens of Grundy county, reported a bill for "An act to legalize the assessment of taxes in Grundy county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second and third times by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Madden, from the committee on Elections, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act to repeal the laws incorporating the town of Chester," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, which was concurred in, and the bill

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Logan, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to simplify the manner of proceedings of justices of the peace and constables, in cases of distress for rent," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection, when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Logan, from the same committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the Illinois and Michigan canal," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection, when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Burklow obtained leave of absence for Mr. Scott.

Mr. Caldwell, from the committee on Counties, reported a bill for "An act to create the county of Milton;" which,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred sundry petitions of citizens of La Salle and Bureau counties, praying the organization of a new county, out of parts of said counties, reported the petitions back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the same.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of James O'Conner, praying "An act to establish a ferry across the Illinois river," reported the petition back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the same.

Mr. Manning, from the same committee, reported a bill for "An act concerning the mortgage of personal property;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, it was read the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act to tax lands five years from the date of entry," reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection, when the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Mr. Arnold, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of James Shepherd and Geo. Pasfield, praying relief, reported the petition back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred the petition of sundry citizens of New Haven, Gallatin county, Illinois, praying the passage of a law establishing the office of Notary Public in said town, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Arnold, from the same committee, to which had been referred the Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,'" reported the same back with amendments; when,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The amendments were amended by striking out "fifty" per cent. and inserting "twenty-five."

The amendments of the committee, as amended, were then agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be read the third time, as amended.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on Education, to which had been referred the bill for "An act in relation to common schools," reported the same back with amendments; when,

Mr. Weatherford moved to amend the amendment to the first section of the bill, by striking out the word "majority," and inserting the words "two-thirds;" when,

Mr. Dollins moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Jackson of Whiteside.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Bishop, Brinkley, Burklow, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Norris, Owen, Penn, Simms, Spicer, Thompson, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, and Whitten—43.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Eppler, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald, of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Whitcomb, White, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Mr. Weatherford's proposition to amend was then agreed to.

Mr. Ficklin moved further to amend said proposed amendment, by adding the following:

"*Provided*, that the persons voting or petitioning for a tax to be levied, shall in all cases pay the tax so levied, and those voting or remonstrating against the tax, shall not be compelled to pay any portion thereof," which was,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Simms.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Cushman, Dennis, Dubois, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bell, Bishop, Brinkley, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Green of Clay, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—51.

Mr. Davis of Williamson, moved further to amend, by adding the following proviso:

“Provided, that the amount of tax so to be levied in any one year, shall not exceed the amount of county tax to be levied on the same property for the same year;” which was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles, to-wit:

A bill for “An act to amend ‘An act to provide for the establishment of ferries, toll bridges and turnpike roads,’ approved February 27th, 1827.”

A bill for “An act authorizing Benjamin Vermillion, to erect a mill across Racoon creek, in Clay county.”

A bill for “An act to change part of the turnpike road in Hancock county.”

And also, have concurred in the passage of a bill for “An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer,” as amended by them, in which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House; when

The House adjourned till 2 o’clock, P. M.

TWO O’CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate bills of the following titles, were read the second time, and

Ordered to a third reading, viz:

A bill for “An act to legalize the survey of the town of Mount Vernon;”

A bill for “An act supplemental to ‘An act for the sale of certain lots therein named,’ approved February 26, 1841.”

The bill for “An act to establish seven Congressional districts,” was read the second time, when

Mr. Kuykendall moved to lay it on the table; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dollins demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with; when,

On motion of Mr. Miller,

The bill was made the special order of the day for to-morrow at 2 o’clock, P. M.

Bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed, to-wit:

A bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to levy a tax;"

A bill for "An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein;"

A bill for "An act to compensate Thomas C. King for services rendered and moneys spent;"

"An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell;"

"An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Wesley city, in the county of Tazewell;"

A bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Tazewell county to appoint an agent or agents for certain purposes therein named;"

A bill for "An act in relation to certain records in Adams county;"

A bill for "An act to legalize the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;"

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time by their titles and passed, viz:

"An act to locate a State road from Marion, in Williamson county, to Jonesboro, in Union county;"

"An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing, in Peoria county, to Farmington, in Fulton county;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county;"

A bill for "An act to authorise S. J. Chapman to add an addition to the town of Vienna, in Johnson county;"

A bill for "An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetery Association."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bill for "An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria in the State of Illinois," was read the third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Caldwell, and Menard be that committee.

Engrossed bill for an act entitled "An act for the relief of John Pearson," was read the third time and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Bryant, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dolins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—65.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, and Yates—38.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to-wit:

A bill for "An act to incorporate the Rock river Bridge company;"

A bill for "An act for the better security of the State, county and township funds;"

A bill for "An act to authorize a change in a State road in Morgan county;"

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield."

Also, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act relative to probate justices of the peace."

"An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the counties of Mercer, St. Clair, Macoupin and other counties for the year 1842."

The following engrossed bills were severally read the third time by their titles and passed:

"Bill for 'An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' in force February 26, 1841;,"

A bill for "An act to establish the county of Audubon."

A bill for "An act to provide for the distribution of the interest upon the school, college and seminary fund to new counties."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills."

Engrossed bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned," was read the third time by its title, when Mr. Wheat demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Resolved, That the Representatives Hall be granted to the Washingtonian Society, each Tuesday evening after the session.

On motion of Mr. Horney,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted.

Whereas, It is necessary that a rigid economy be pursued by the Legislature of the State of Illinois: *And whereas*, there are many sinecure and useless offices and persons employed on the canal line, drawing daily, monthly and yearly wages, without rendering any adequate services in return, some persons drawing \$1 per day, some \$50 per month, others from one to two thousand dollars per annum.

Resolved, therefore, That the committee on Canal and Canal lands be required and respectfully requested to enquire into the expediency of abolishing all offices not absolutely necessary on said canal line, and reduce the wages of those officers or agents, which are necessary to be continued, to a reasonable compensation, and that said committee be requested to report at as early a day as practicable by bill or otherwise.

Mr. Davis of Bond, on leave, introduced a petition of citizens of Madison county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bell, on leave, introduced the petition of one hundred and fifty women, praying the repeal of all laws oppressing their fellow men on account of color; which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Sharp, presented the petition of sixty-seven citizens of Fulton county, praying the repeal of laws in relation to negroes and mulattoes; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred, the preamble and resolution, offered some days since by Mr. Scott, proposing a reduction of the salary of the judges, &c. reported the same back to the House, and recommended their adoption, when,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The preamble and resolution were re-committed to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Further proceedings under the call of the House, were dispensed with.

The question arising on the passage of the bill, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vinyard, Woodworth, and Yates—47.

Engrossed bill for "An act to provide for the sale of public property and the payment of the public debt," was read the third time and passed, by yeas and nays on demand of Messrs. Browning and Davis of Bond.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hanna-

ford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koeiner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Horney, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Pickering, Simms, Starr, Stockton, Weatherford, and Yates—28.

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Resolved, That the Treasurer of State report, as soon as practicable, to this House, the result of certain specific duties, required of him under the provisions of "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for the settlement of debts and liabilities incurred on account of internal improvements in the State of Illinois,' approved February 1st, 1840," and which amended act was approved December 14th, 1840, and said Treasurer be requested to state: First, what amount of property came into his possession, connected with the system of internal improvements; its description, value, and from whom and from what point received. Second, the nature of the settlement made by him under the provisions of the aforesaid law, with the Board of Public Works, whether any of said board was found in arrears to the State; if so, to what amount, and whether, in such case, he had instituted suit forthwith against such person or persons. Third, to state also, whether any agent was appointed by him, to take charge of the public property connected with the railroad system; if so, to state who was the agent appointed; what compensation he received; what duty he performed; the description of property that came into his hands; what property was sold by said agent; the amount for which said property was sold, and what disposition has been made of the proceeds arising from such sale, if any have been made. Fourth, also, to inform the House, what use has been made of the building owned by the State and formerly occupied for a railroad office in Springfield, whether the same has been rented, and to whom; what amount of rent has been received therefor, and how the same has been applied.

The following engrossed bills were severally read the third time and passed:

"An act to revive "An act to provide for settlers on land purchased by the State;"

"An act to create the county of Massac;"

"An act to locate a State road from Josephine to Knoxville;"

"An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit," was read the third time by their titles and passed.

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

The bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835," was read the third time, when,

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Kuykendall, Brown of Sangamon, and Bishop, be that committee.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to locate a State road in Hancock county;"

"An act to extend the jurisdiction of county commissioners' courts, and for other purposes;"

"An act regulating the manner of selecting juries in certain cases;"

"An act to amend the several laws in relation to the trial of the right of property before justices of the peace."

The have also concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills, as amended by them, in which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, viz:

"An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river;"

"An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county;" when

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ficklin presented the remonstrance of sundry citizens of Coles county, against a central division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hick presented the petition of sundry citizens of White and Galatin counties, praying for the reduction of rent on a certain mill owned by the State, for the reasons therein stated; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee of nine.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hick, Lawler, Douglas, Green of Clay, Marshall, Pickering, Anderson, Dollins, and Hicks, be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Hannaford,

The petitions of citizens of the counties of Woodford and Tazewell, praying the repeal of Col. Wm. L. May's charter for a ferry across the Illinois river, at Peoria, were taken up and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 26, 1839."

Bill for "An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the line of the Illinois and Michigan Canal;"

A bill for "An act to authorize the building a bridge over the Pecatonica river, in Stephenson county;"

"An act to define the bounds of Boone county;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named."

Also, as correctly enrolled, the following acts:

"An act concerning the records of Jersey county;"

"An act authorizing Benjamin Vermilion to erect a mill-dam across Racoon creek, in Clay county;"

A bill for "An act to amend 'An act to provide for the establishment of ferries, toll bridges and turnpike roads,' approved Feb. 12, 1827."

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of citizens of Macoupin county, praying that John Graham may vend groceries without license; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Gobble, Glass, and Hinton, be that committee.

Mr. Cushman presented the petition of citizens of La Salle county, praying the passage of a law granting a trial, by jury, to all persons whose liberty is at stake; which was read, when

Mr. Ames moved to refer the petition to a select committee; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dubois moved its indefinite postponement; which was agreed to.

Mr. Cushman also presented the petition of citizens of McLean county, praying the repeal of all laws making a distinction among men on account of color; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

Indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," was taken up; when

Mr. Logan moved that said bill and the amendment, proposed some days since by Mr. Browning, be re-committed to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, with the following instructions, viz:

To modify said bill so as to provide that the persons or company to whom the canal shall be transferred, shall pay and surrender to the State five millions of dollars of the State indebtedness, to be cancelled; and also, providing that the State may, at any time after said canal is completed, purchase the same, by paying to said persons or company, the amount of money and bonds paid and expended in completing said canal.

Mr. Ficklin, moved the following as an amendment to the instructions to the committee, which Mr. Logan accepted as a modification of his proposition, viz:

"And if the State shall not pay the company the money expended, and the bonds given up to the State, then said company is to have full control of said canal, and enjoy all its profits and tolls, until the company is reimbursed in the full amount of said bonds and money expended, with interest, after which the canal is to belong to the State;" when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The proposed instructions were laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Browning, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Bryant, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Sharp,

Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, Madden, Norris, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Vinyard, White, Wilson, and Yates—50.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the adoption of the preamble and resolutions on the subject of the payment, by the State of Illinois, of her just debts, &c., amended by the Senate, as follows:

“Strike out the word “insignificant,” in the last resolution, and insert in lieu thereof, the words, “not insurmountable.”

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am also directed by the Senate to inform the House that they have concurred with the House in the passage of their bill for “An act to authorize Henry H. Singleton to build a mill-dam across the Crab Orchard Creek.”

Mr. Cloud moved to re-commit said canal bill and proposed amendment, to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, with instructions to provide that the holders of canal indebtedness, whether that indebtedness consists of bonds, scrip, acceptances, canal indebtedness, or balances, which may be found due contractors for damages, back per centage, scaleage, or otherwise, after a fair settlement with the State, may have the right, for a reasonable time, to subscribe for stock, *pro rata*, according to the amount of indebtedness held by them. If the holders of indebtedness shall fail or refuse to subscribe, as aforesaid, the whole of the stock may be taken by other holders of canal indebtedness; to provide that no change shall be made in the location of the canal, so as to prevent the use of water power on canal lands; to provide for the security of domestic creditors, who shall not subscribe for stock; to provide for valuing the lands before sold in such manner that the interest of the State will be secured.

When the House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The special order of the day, for this day at 2 o'clock. P. M., was postponed, and the consideration of the bill for “An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt,” was resumed.

The question being on the re-commitment of the bill and amendment, with the instructions proposed by Mr. Cloud,

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the instructions, as follows:

"And, also, that the committee inquire into the expediency of disconnecting the State from the canal, in the further prosecution of that work, and that the three trustees be appointed by the holders of the canal stock;" which was accepted as a modification, by Mr. Cloud, to his instructions.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the instructions, proposed by Mr. Cloud, by striking out all after the word "instructions," and inserting the following, viz:

"1st. That there shall be paid to the State of Illinois, on or before the first day of January, 1844, five million dollars, in the evidence of her indebtedness; which said five millions shall include the bonds issued by the State, on account of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and the canal scrip.

"2d. That upon the payment to the State of the said sum of five million dollars, the title to the canal and canal lands and lots, and the hydraulic privileges pertaining thereto, and all the machinery and implements of industry, of every kind, belonging to the State, and connected with the canal, including the engineering department, shall be vested in the persons making such payment, subject only to such restrictions and limitations as shall be prescribed by law.

"3d. That said persons shall complete said canal and put the same in operation within years from this date.

"4th. That the nett proceeds of the tolls upon said canal, after defraying all expenses incident to the use and management thereof, shall never exceed per cent. per annum, upon the cost of said canal: and if at any time the nett proceeds of the tolls upon said canal shall exceed the said sum of per cent., the excess shall be paid into the State Treasury.

"5th. The State shall reserve the right of re-purchasing said canal of said persons, at any time, by refunding to said persons, the total amount of the cost of the construction of said canal, deducting therefrom the value of the lands and property which may be surrendered by the State.

"6th. That if the State does not refund the money expended upon said canal, an account shall be kept of the receipts thereon, and whenever such receipts have amounted to enough to refund the whole amount of principal expended upon said canal, with six per cent. interest thereon, after deducting the value of the lands &c., the canal and all its privileges shall revert to the State."

Mr. Logan demanded a call of the House.

After some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call of the House, were,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Dispensed with.

Mr. Miller moved to lay the amendment to the instructions, proposed by Mr. Browning, on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Crishman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning,

Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Madden, Menard, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, White, Wilson, and Yates—53.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning, to the instructions to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Logan, as follows.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, West, White, Wilson, and Yates—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—60.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The instructions proposed by him were amended by adding the following:

“And that provisions be made that the faith of the State shall not be pledged for the sixteen hundred thousand dollars contemplated to be borrowed.”

The bill was then re-committed to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, with the proposed instructions.

On motion of Mr. McClermand,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the bill for “An act to establish seven Congressional districts” be made the special order of the day for to-morrow at 10 o’clock, A. M. and that the House continue to act upon the same from day to day until said bill shall be disposed of.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles:

A bill for “An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford.”

A bill for “An act to create the county of Milton.”

Also, the following bills, as correctly enrolled.

"An act to locate a State road in Hancock county."

"An act to change part of the turnpike road in Hancock county;"

"An act regulating the manner of selecting jurors in certain cases;"

"An act to authorise Henry H. Singleton to build a mill-dam across the Crab Orchard creek;"

"An act to extend the jurisdiction of county commissioners' courts, and for other purposes."

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," was taken up; and, on his motion, made the special order of the day for Thursday next.

Mr. Logan, from the select committee to which had been referred the engrossed bill to re-locate so much of a State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois, reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bradley,

The bill for "An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county," was taken up, and the amendments of the Senate read; when

Mr. Simms moved to amend the amendment of the Senate, by striking out the words "one thousand," and inserting the word "five;" when

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The amendment of Mr. Simms to the Senate's amendment to the bill for "An act to repair the damages occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county," coming up for consideration, it was not agreed to, when the amendments of the Senate were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Ames presented the petition of sundry citizens of Georgetown, Kendall county, praying the name of said town to be changed to that of Newark; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ames, Jackson of McHenry, and Garrett be that committee.

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of citizens of Greene county, praying for the formation of a new county, out of parts of the counties of Greene, Morgan, and Macoupin; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Loy presented the petition of Isaac Gordon, praying the passage of a law authorising the building of a mill-dam therein named; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Loy, Menard, and Compton be that committee.

Mr. McClernand presented the petition of David Newsom, praying an alteration of the relief law; which was read, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Also, the petition of citizens of Alexander county, praying the estab-

lishment of a ferry across the Ohio river, at the city of Cairo; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill for "An act to establish and maintain common schools."

Mr. Dougherty, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the petitions of Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd, praying the extension of the time for collecting the revenue, reported a bill for "An act to authorise Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was then read a second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee on the Militia, reported a bill for the re-organization of the militia of the State; which was read the first time by its title, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title.

Mr. Davis of Williamson, moved to lay said bill on the table, and have it printed for the use of the House; which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

It was laid on the table.

Mr. Jonas, from the select committee, appointed for that purpose, reported a bill for "An act to incorporate academies and seminaries of learning;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to vacate the alleys in William H. Reed's, Thomas W. Lilley's and William Elliott's additions to the town of Olney, in Richland county;"

A bill for "An act to legalise the acts of certain officers therein named;"

A bill for "An act in relation to the distribution of the laws and documents of the Congress of the United States;"

A bill for "An act to authorise the county commissioners of Lee county to levy a tax;"

"An act to locate a State road from Marion, in Williamson county, to Jonesboro, in Union county;"

A bill for "An act to authorise S. J. Chapman, to add an addition to the town of Vienna, in Johnson county."

They have concurred with the House of Representatives in their amendment to Senate bill for "An act to punish the crime of incest;"

They have refused to order to a second reading, a bill from the House for "An act to compensate Thomas C. King for services rendered and moneys spent;" and have concurred with the House in the passage of a

bill for "An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates,'" approved January 23, 1829, as amended.

In which amendment, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also passed bills of the following titles;

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, viz:

"An act to increase the per diem pay of grand and petit jurors, and to allow mileage;"

"An act to incorporate the city of Peoria," and

"An act to enable Henry Wigginton to establish a ferry on the Illinois river."

The Senate have also concurred with the House in the passage of their bill for "An act to authorise the school commissioners of Clay county to settle with the school commissioner of Richland county."

They have also passed a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act providing for the binding of the laws and journals,' approved January 31, 1840."

In the passage of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

A bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts," being the special order of the day, coming up for consideration, when

Mr. Arnold moved to postpone the special order, to enable the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to whom was re-committed the bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," and the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning, with instructions to make a report; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Nesbit then moved to strike out section second of the Congressional district bill, creating the seven districts.

Mr. Dollins moved to lay the motion of Mr. Nesbit to strike out on the table, which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Dollins, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Bibbrens, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Wil'mson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Compton, Cushman, Dutois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Man-

ning, Nesbit, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, West, Weatherford, Wilson, and Yates—57.

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the State Treasurer, showing the disposition that has been made of the personal property connected with the system of internal improvements; which was read in part, when

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The further reading of the same was dispensed with, and the communication, with the accompanying documents, referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles, viz:

A bill for "An act confirming certain ferry privileges to the county of Bureau;"

A bill for "An act to authorise the county court of Lawrence county to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;"

A bill for "An act to establish a State road from Quincy, in Adams county to Augusta, in Hancock county;"

"An act organising a school district in Vermillion county, and authorising the sale of school lands therein;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county;"

"An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Wesley city, in the county of Tazewell;"

A bill for "An act to authorise the county commissioners of Tazewell county, to appoint an agent or agents, for certain purposes therein named;"

A bill for "An act in relation to certain records in Adams county;"

A bill for "An act to legalise the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;"

A bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the county of Grundy;" and

Also, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of the bill for "An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs, as amended by them."

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The question arising on Mr. Nesbit's motion to strike out the second section of the bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts."

Mr. McClernand demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

Mr. Ames, from the select committee to which was referred a petition praying authority to erect a mill-dam across Fox river, reported a bill for

"An act to authorise John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith and Charles McClure, to build a mill-dam across Fox river;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of the town of Harrisburg, praying a change of the name of said town, reported a bill for "An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Woodworth, from the select committee appointed on that subject, reported a bill for "An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit of the State of Illinois;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, "An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county."

The question recurring on Mr. Nesbit's proposition to "strike out," it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Nesbit, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Nesbit, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cochran, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hannaford, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—46.

Mr. Nesbit moved to fill the blank occasioned by striking out the second section of the bill, by inserting the following, viz:

"SEC. 2. The first district shall be composed of the counties of Cook, Lake, McHenry, Boone, De Kalb, Du Page, La Salle, Grundy, Kendall, Livingston, Will, Iroquois, McLean, Champaign and Vermilion.

"The second district, of the counties of Jo Daviess, Winnebago, Stephenson, Bureau, Carroll, Lee, Ogle, Putnam, Whiteside, Henry, Rock Island, Mercer, Warren, Henderson, McDonough, and Hancock.

"The third district, of the counties of Marshall, Stark, Peoria, Knox, Fulton, Schuyler, Brown, Adams, Pike and Calhoun.

"The fourth district, of the counties of Scott, Morgan, Macoupin, Jersey, Greene, Madison, and St. Clair.

"The fifth district, of the counties of Clinton, Washington, Monroe, Randolph, Perry, Jefferson, Jackson, Franklin, Williamson, Hardin, Pope, Johnson, Union, Alexander, and Gallatin.

"The sixth district, of the counties of Edgar, Coles, Clark, Jasper, Crawford, Richland, Lawrence, Wayne, Wabash, Edwards, Hamilton, White, and Clay.

"The seventh district, of the counties of Woodford, Tazewell, Mason, Cass, Sangamon, Menard, Logan, De Witt, Piatt, Macon, Shelby, Fayette, Effingham, Marion, Bond, Montgomery, and Christian."

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the proposed amendment, by striking out all after the word "district," in the first line, and inserting the following:

"Shall be composed of the counties of Alexander, Union, Jackson, Perry, Randolph, Monroe, Washington, St. Clair, Clinton, Bond, and Madison.

"The second district, of the counties of Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Williamson, Gallatin, Franklin, Hamilton, White, Wabash, Edwards, Wayne, Jefferson, Marion, and Clay.

"The third district, of the counties of Lawrence, Richland, Crawford, Jasper, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Christian, Shelby, Coles, Clark, Edgar, and Macon.

"The fourth district, of the counties of Winnebago, Lake, McHenry, Boone, Cook, Kane, De Kalb, Du Page, Kendall, Grundy, La Salle, Will, Iroquois, Livingston, Champaign, and Vermilion.

"The fifth district, of the counties of Jersey, Calhoun, Greene, Macoupin, Scott, Morgan, Pike, Brown, and Adams.

"The sixth district, of the counties of Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Carroll, Ogle, Lee, Whiteside, Rock Island, Henry, Bureau, Mercer, Henderson, Warren, Knox, McDonough, Hancock, Fulton, and Peoria.

"The seventh district, of the counties of Putnam, Stark, Marshall, Woodford, Tazewell, Mason, Menard, Schuyler, Cass, Logan, Sangamon, De Witt, Piatt, and McLean."

Mr. Courtright moved the reference of the bill and amendment to a select committee of seven; which was not agreed to, when,

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The amendment to the amendment was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brown of Pike and Dollins, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant,

Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Goble, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Langworthy, Lockard, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Manning, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, and Woodworth—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Bibbens, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Flanders, Glass, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Vinyard, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Mr. Hanson moved to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Nesbit, by striking out all after the word "district," in the first line, and inserting the following, viz:

"Shall be composed of the counties of Alexander, Union, Johnson, Pope, Jackson, Williamson, Gallatin, Hamilton, White, Franklin, Perry, Randolph, Jefferson, and Hardin.

"The second district shall consist of the counties of Monroe, St. Clair, Washington, Clinton, Madison, Marion, Fayette, Bond, Montgomery, and Shelby.

"The third district shall consist of the counties of Champaign, Vermilion, Piatt, Coles, Edgar, Clark, Crawford, Jasper, Effingham, Clay, Richland, Lawrence, Wayne, Edwards, and Wabash.

"The fourth district shall consist of the counties of Jersey, Greene, Macoupin, Christian, Sangamon, Scott, Morgan, and Cass.

"The fifth district shall consist of the counties of Calhoun, Pike, Adams, Brown, Schuyler, Hancock, McDonough, and Fulton.

"The sixth district shall consist of the counties of Macon, De Witt, Logan, Menard, Mason, Tazewell, McLean, Woodford, Marshall, Putnam, Livingston, La Salle, Grundy, Iroquois, Will, Cook, Du Page, Kendall, and Lake.

"The seventh district shall consist of the counties of Henderson, Warren, Knox, Peoria, Stark, Mercer, Rock Island, Henry, Bureau, Whiteside, Lee, Carroll, Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Ogle, Winnebago, Boone, De Kalb, Kane, and McHenry."

When further action on the bill was suspended.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the counties of Mercer, St. Clair, Macoupin, and other counties, for the year one thousand eight hundred and forty-two;"

"An act relative to probate justices of the peace;"

"An act authorising Benjamin Vermillion to erect a mill-dam across Racon creek, in Clay county;"

"An act to amend 'An act to provide for the establishment of ferries, toll bridges and turnpike roads,' approved February 12, 1827;"

"An act concerning the records of Jersey county;"

"An act regulating the manner of selecting jurors in certain cases;"

"An act to authorise Henry H. Singleton to build a mill-dam across the Crab Orchard creek;"

"An act to locate a State road in Hancock county;"

"An act to change part of the turnpike road in Hancock county;"

"An act to repair the damage occasioned by the destruction of the records and public documents of Jackson county;" when

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Bell,

The bill for "An act to attach part of the county of Woodford to the county of Marshall," was taken up and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bell, Tackerberry, Bishop, Menard, and McMillan be that committee.

Mr. Jonas obtained leave of absence for Mr. Browning, for one week.

Mr. Ames obtained leave for Mr. Bone, till Saturday next.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of citizens of Pike county, praying the organization of a new county, out of parts of Pike and Adams; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which was referred, some days since, petitions of like import.

Mr. Smith of Crawford, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition of citizens of McLean and Woodford counties, upon that subject, reported a bill to define the line between McLean and Woodford counties; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rules of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Smith of Crawford, from the same committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to attach part of the county of La Salle, to the county of Marshall," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Haley, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition and remonstrance of citizens of Henry county, for and against attaching a part of said county to the county of Stark, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the memorial of the citizens of Bond county, relative to various measures before the present Legislature, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject,

Mr. Whitten, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Schuyler county, praying the formation of a new county, out of parts of Adams, Brown, Hancock, and Schuyler counties, reported the petition back to the House, and was discharged from further consideration of the same.

Mr. Gregg, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," and the amendment thereto, proposed by Mr. Browning, with certain instructions, reported the bill back to the House, with a recommendation that the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning, be rejected, and proposing amendments to the bill; which report was concurred in.

Mr. Logan moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Arnold;

The bill, as amended, was made the special order of the day for tomorrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

The bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts," (the special order of the day,) coming up for consideration,

Mr. Whitcomb moved that the House re-consider the vote given on yesterday, on laying the amendment proposed by Mr. Koerner to said bill, on the table.

Mr. Dubois demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

Mr. Cloud, from the select committee to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act to confine justices of the peace to their respective districts," reported the same back to the House, with amendments; when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question recurring on Mr. Whitcomb's motion to re-consider, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ewing, Flanders, Glass, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bryant, Canady, Cloud, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Langworthy, Lockard, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Wheat, Wilson, and Woodworth—58.

Mr. Whitcomb moved to lay the amendment, proposed by Mr. Hanson, to the amendment offered by Mr. Nesbit, on the table; which was agreed to.

Mr. Hicks moved to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Nesbit, by striking out all after the word "district," in the first line, and inserting the following, viz:

"1st. Alexander, Union, Jackson, Perry, Randolph, Monroe, Washington, St. Clair, Clinton, Bond, and Madison.

"2d. Johnson, Pope, Hardin, Williamson, Gallatin, Franklin, Hamilton, White, Wabash, Edwards, Wayne, Jefferson, Marion, and Clay.

"3d. Lawrence, Richland, Crawford, Jasper, Effingham, Fayette, Montgomery, Christian, Shelby, Coles, Clark, Edgar, and Macon.

"4th. Lake, McHenry, Boone, Cook, Kane, DeKalb, DuPage, Kendall, Grundy, La Salle, Will, Iroquois, Livingston, McLean, Champaign, and Vermilion.

"5th. Jersey, Calhoun, Greene, Macoupin, Scott, Morgan, Pike, Brown, and Adams.

"6th. Jo Daviess, Stephenson, Winnebago, Carroll, Ogle, Lee, Whiteside, Rock Island, Henry, Bureau, Mercer, Henderson, Warren, Knox, McDonough, and Hancock.

"7th. Putnam, Stark, Marshall, Woodford, Tazewell, Peoria, Fulton, Mason, Menard, Schuyler, Cass, Logan, De Witt, Piatt, and Sangamon.

Mr. Turner moved that the bill and amendment be referred to a select committee of two from each proposed Congressional district; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Simms demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?"

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question recurring on the proposition of Mr. Hicks, to amend the amendment, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Sharp, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Penn, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Yates—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Bryant, Canady, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Gobble, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Lockard, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

The question arising on filling the blank, by inserting the proposition offered by Mr. Nesbit, as amended, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Turner, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Penn, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Yates—61.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Bryant, Canady, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Dougherty, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Gobble, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Lockard, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—49.

When the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Penn, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Yates—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Bryant, Canady, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Gobble, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jonas, Lockard, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

The bill for "An act in relation to common schools," come up for consideration; when,

On motion of Mr. Bibbens,

It was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Ficklin, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to reduce the State debt, and to divorce the State from the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown; which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to have the same printed for the use of the House.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act to attach part of Tazewell county to the county of Woodford."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which had been referred the petition of citizens of Rockford, Winnebago county, reported a bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river, at Rockford;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Resolved, That Usher F. Linder, editor of the Charlestown Courier, be permitted to take a seat within the bar of the House, as reporter.

Mr. Ames, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Georgetown, Kendall county, asking the name of said town to be changed to that of Newark, reported a bill for "An act to change the name of Georgetown, in Kendall county;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a second time by its title, and,

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the adoption of its resolution, proposing that the two Houses of the General Assembly receive no new business after the 10th day of February, inst.

Mr. Kuykendall, from the select committee to which was referred engrossed bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force, Feb. 9th, 1835," reported the same back to the House, with amendments; which were agreed to.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to authorize S. J. Chapman to add an addition to the town of Vienna, in Johnson county;"

"An act to authorize the school commissioner of Clay county to settle with the school commissioner of Richland county;"

"An act in relation to the distribution of the laws and documents of the Congress of the United States;"

"An act to locate a State road from Marion, in Williamson county, to Jonesboro, in Union county;"

"An act to amend the several laws in relation to the trial of the right of property before justices of the peace;"

"An act to legalize the acts of certain officers therein named;"

"An act to vacate the alleys in William H. Reeds', Thomas W. Lilley's, and William Elliott's addition to the town of Olney, in Richland county," and

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to levy a tax;" which were this day laid before the Council of Revision.

And as correctly engrossed, a bill for "An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of their bill for "An act in relation to a poor house in Jersey county," with an amendment.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have laid on the table, until the 4th of July next, a bill from the House of Representatives, for "An act for the protection of sheep and wool-growers, and for other purposes."

They have passed a bill for "An act for the relief of the Shilo meeting house tract."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," coming up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House resolved itself in committee of the whole House, on the above bill; Mr. Dubois in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported progress, and asked leave to sit again; which was granted,

When the House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a memorial of the American Society for ameliorating the condition of the Jews; which was read in part, when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Further reading of the same was dispensed with, and the memorial referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have laid on the table until the fourth of July next, bills from the House of the following titles, to wit:

A bill for "An act to legalise the assessment of William Moore, of St. Clair county, for the year 1841;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate interest on money,' approved February 28, 1833;" and

A bill for "An act to vacate a part of Sampson's, Harris's, and Leslie's addition to the town of Tremont."

I am further directed to inform the House, that they concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock river Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois;'"

A bill for "An act to legalise defective returns of the school directors and treasurers of incorporated townships, in the counties therein named;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act disposing of the public property, and for other purposes;'"

A bill for "An act to establish a ferry therein named;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to locate and change certain State roads,' approved February 27, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;"

A bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' approved February 26, 1841;"

A bill for "An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort;" "An act supplementary to 'An act authorising Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago Swamp.'"

Mr. Logan, presented the petition of sundry citizens of Sangamon county, remonstrating against a change of the Darwin and Springfield turnpike road; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which has been referred petitions of similar import.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of citizens of Adams county, praying, in case of a division of said county, that a new county be formed out of part of the counties of Adams and Pike; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which has been referred similar petitions.

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of citizens of Macoupin county, praying the formation of a new county out of parts of the counties of Morgan, Greene, and Macoupin; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Pratt presented the petition of 789 citizens of Morgan county, praying that the line originally petitioned for in the formation of the county of Cass, be established as the dividing line between the counties of Morgan and Cass; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Langworthy presented the petition of citizens of Bureau county, praying the repeal of certain laws therein named, and for other purposes; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Stewart, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the petition of George W. Armstrong, praying relief; reported a bill for "An act to authorise the canal commissioners to pay the back per centage on section 187;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit of the State of Illinois;”

“An act to authorise Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes;”

“An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county;”

“An act to establish seven Congressional districts;”

“An act authorising the erection of a bridge across Rock river, at Rockford;”

“An act to change the name of the town of Georgetown, in the county of Kendall;”

“An act supplemental to ‘An act concerning estrays,’ in force February 9, 1835;”

“An act to authorise John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith, and Charles McClure to build a dam across Fox river;”

“An act to define the line between McLean and Woodford counties.”

And as correctly enrolled, the following bills, to wit:

“An act to legalise the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;”

“An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county;”

“An act to authorise the county court of Lawrence county to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;”

“An act organising a school district in Vermilion county, and authorising the sale of school lands therein;”

“An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Wesley city, in the county of Tazewell;”

“An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the county of Grundy;”

“An act confirming certain ferry privileges in the county of Bureau;”

“An act to authorise the county commissioners of Tazewell county, to appoint an agent or agents for certain purposes;”

“An act to locate a State road from Quincy, in Adams county, to Augusta, in Hancock county.”

Mr. Aldrich, from the committee on the Penitentiary, made a report at length, upon the police and management of said institution: which was read and referred to the select committee to which had been referred various bills, petitions, and reports relative to the penitentiary.

On motion of Mr. Menard,

Senate bill for “An act to attach part of Tazewell county, to the county of Woodford,” was taken up, read the first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred Senate bill for “An act in relation to burying grounds, church yards, and lands used by literary institutions,” reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to a third reading.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:
Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision, to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act in relation to the distribution of the laws and documents of the Congress of the United States;"

"An act to authorise the county commissioners of Lee county to levy a tax;"

"An act to authorise S. J. Chapman to add an addition to the town of Vienna, in Johnson county;"

"An act to amend the several laws in relation to the trial of the right of property before justices of the peace;"

"An act to legalise the acts of certain officers therein named;"

"An act to locate a State road from Marion, in Williamson county, to Jonesboro, in Union county;"

"An act to vacate the alleys in William Reed's, Thomas W. Lilley's, and William Elliott's addition, to the town of Olney, in Richland county."

The bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," being the special order of the day, came up for consideration, when,

On motion of Mr. McClelland,

The bill was amended by striking out of the committee's amendment to the tenth section, the words "together with those lands, on which improvements have heretofore been made."

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was further amended in the seventeenth section, by striking out all between the word "same," in the fourth line, and the word "said," in the seventh line.

Mr. Jonas moved further to amend the bill by striking out all after the word "also," in the tenth line of the tenth section, to the word "also," in the fourteenth line of the same section.

Mr. Koerner moved to lay the amendment on the table, which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Jonas and Glass, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McClelland, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Dubois, Ervin, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Hicks, Jonas, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, Menard,

Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, White, Wilson, and Yates—42.

Mr. Horney demanded the previous question.

On the question—"Shall the main question be now put?" it was decided in the affirmative.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed and read the third time, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dubois and Turner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koeiner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—68.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Dubois, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jonas, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, Marshall, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Thompson, Vinyard, West, White, Wilson, and Yates—38.

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Aldrich asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Edwards.

Mr. Dickinson, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties,'" reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were read and concurred in, and the bill as amended, ordered to be re-engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The Senate bill for "An act to confine justices of the peace to their respective districts;" was taken up for consideration, and the reported amendment of the select committee, to which said bill had been referred, was read, and

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the report as follows:

"*Provided*, that nothing in this act contained, shall divest justices of the peace of jurisdiction in cases where the contract has been made specifically payable or performable in their respective districts."

Mr. Dollins moved the previous question; which was not sustained.

Mr. Turner moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Dollins, as follows, viz.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are.

Messrs. Ames, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Brinkley, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Lawler, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Norris, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—41.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Burklow, Canady, Collins, Court-right, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manniag, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—66.

And the question being put on the adoption of the amendment, it was decided in the affirmative, when the report of the select committee as amended, was concurred in, and the bill as amended

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles:

"An act to establish a ferry therein named;"

"An act in relation to certain records in Adams county;"

"An act supplementary to 'An act authorising Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago swamp;'"

"An act to legalise defective returns of the school directors and treasurers of townships in the counties therein named;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock river Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois;'"

"An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' approved February 26, 1841;"

"An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort."

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The House now resolved itself into committee of the whole on the bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;" Mr. Dubois in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, and reported sundry amendments to the bill; which were concurred in by the House.

Mr. Dubois moved to amend the bill by striking out the tenth section, and inserting the following, viz:

"If the president, directors, and company of the Bank of Illinois, shall not accept the provisions of this act, and appoint the commissioner herein provided for, and surrender and assign to said commissioners all its property, real and personal, and choses in action, it shall be the duty of

the two commissioners aforesaid, to cause to be prosecuted by the Attorney General, and the State's Attorney of the third judicial circuit, any information in the nature of a *quo warranto* against said bank; and said commissioners shall procure, and cause to be procured, all proper testimony for the trial of said cause; and in the event the charter of said bank shall be declared to be void or forfeited, all the property real and personal, and all the rights, credits, and choses in action, belonging to said bank, shall be vested in said commissioners and their successors in office, and they shall have the power, and are hereby required in their own names, to collect the debts due said bank, and make sale of the property thereof, and to distribute the proceeds according to the provisions of this act."

Which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Jonas, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Starr, Stockton, Vinyard, and Yates—32.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—77.

Mr. Jonas demanded the previous question; which was negatived, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Turner and Jonas, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brown of Sangamon, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Pickering, Pratt, and Turner—24.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Craw-

ford, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—82.

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the bill by adding the following to the 10th section, viz:

“And the said bank shall not, under any pretext whatever, hereafter, issue any bank notes or bills for circulation, discount any notes, buy or sell any bill of exchange, receive any gold or silver coin, or the paper of other banks on deposit, or do any other act of kindred character, but the banking powers of said corporation are hereby declared to be entirely repealed;” when,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The bill and proposed amendments were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for “An act to establish the county of Audubon.”

They have also concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for “An act to create the county of Massac,” as amended by them.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also passed a bill for “An act for the removal of the county seat of Henry county.”

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act to legalise the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;”

“An act to legalise the assessment of taxes in the county of Grundy;”

“An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county;”

“An act to authorize the county court of Lawrence county to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;”

“An act to authorise the county commissioners of Tazewell county, to appoint an agent or agents, for certain purposes therein named;”

“An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein named;”

“An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Wesley city, in the county of Tazewell;”

“An act confirming certain ferry privileges to the county of Bureau;”

“An act to locate a State road from Quincy, in Adams county, to Augusta, in Hancock county;”

“An act in relation to certain records in Adams county;”

“An act to establish a ferry therein named;”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,’ approved Feb. 26, 1841;”

"An act supplementary to 'An act authorizing Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago swamp;'"

"An act to legalize defective returns of the school directors and treasurers of townships therein named;"

"An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;"

"An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock River Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois.'"

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to locate certain roads therein named;"

"An act to change the name of the town of St. Marion, in Ogle county, to that of Buffalo;"

"An act to relieve the Mt. Vernon Academy;"

"An act concerning the revenue;"

"An act to vacate the town of Rock Island city;"

"An act granting a ferry to William Smith and Vincent C. Smith;"

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to amend 'An act disposing of public property in Vandalia, and for other purposes,'"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to locate and change certain State roads,' approved Feb. 27, 1841."

Also, as correctly engrossed, a bill for "An act to attach part of the county of La Salle to the county of Marshall."

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved bills of the following titles, to-wit:

"An act to vacate a part of the town plat of Wesley city, in the county of Tazewell;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Tazewell county to appoint an agent or agents for certain purposes therein named;"

"An act to locate a State road from Taylorville, in Christian county, to Zanesville, in Montgomery county;"

"An act to authorize the county court of Lawrence to build a stone pier under the bridge across the Embarrass river, at the town of Lawrenceville;"

"An act to legalize the assessment of taxes, in the county of Grundy;"

"An act to legalize the acts of Daniel S. Ebersol, a justice of the peace for Livingston county;"

"An act to locate a State road from Quincy, in Adams county, to Augusta, in Hancock county;"

"An act confirming certain ferry privileges to the county of Bureau;"

"An act to authorize the school commissioner of Clay county to settle with the school commissioner of Richland county;"

"An act to establish a ferry therein named;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Rock river Seminary, in Ogle county, Illinois;'"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' approved Feb. 26, 1841;"

"An act to locate a State road from Belvidere to Little Fort;"

"An act to legalize defective returns of the school directors and treasurers of townships in the counties therein named;"

"An act to change the name of Lucy Robinson;"

"An act in relation to certain records in Adams county;"

"An act supplementary to 'An act authorizing Henry W. Cleveland to build a bridge across the Winnebago swamp.'"

They have returned the "Act to extend the jurisdiction of county commissioners' courts," with their objections thereto, as follows:

The Council of Revision have had under consideration an act entitled "An act to extend the jurisdiction of the county commissioner's courts, and for other purposes," and now return the same to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, as being, in their opinion, improper to become a law, for the following reasons:

The act gives the county commissioners of any newly formed county, the right to examine and copy such parts of the records of the county commissioners' court of the old county, from which it was taken, as may have reference to roads and other matters, falling under the jurisdiction of the newly formed county. It is, however, observable that the act does not declare the effect of such copies, nor that they shall be considered as records in the new county, nor is any jurisdiction conferred upon the county commissioners' court, or the court of probate, in relation to the subject matter of such copies.

From the title of the act, purporting to extend the jurisdiction of a court, it appears to us that it must have been intended by the General Assembly, to give such copies the force and effect of original records; and, also, to confer upon the county commissioners' court, and the probate justice of a new county, a jurisdiction to go on and finish any proceedings commenced in the old county. If such an intention did exist, further legislation will be required to give that intended effect.

We are apprehensive that the probate justices of new counties will understand the act as giving this jurisdiction without any additional provision, and that they may thus be led to assume the exercise of a power which, as the act now stands, it unquestionably does not confer. If such should be the case the estates of many deceased persons would be thrown into confusion; executors and administrators would be greatly perplexed and embarrassed in determining the proper court before which to settle estates, and much and needless litigation would be the inevitable result.

We, therefore, return the act for re-consideration, and that the General Assembly may have an opportunity, if they shall deem it expedient, to supply which we have pointed out.

THOMAS FORD,
T. C. BROWNE,
S. H. TREAT,
W. B. SCATES,
J. D. CATON.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,' in force Feb. 26, 1841;"

"An act to authorize Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi river;"

"An act authorizing the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river;"

"An act to authorize the common council of the city of Chicago to straighten Madison street in said city;"

"An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical college of the State of Illinois;"

"An act to authorize the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry county," and

"An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit."

The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of their bill for "An act to alter the provisions of 'An act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,' approved Feb. 26, 1841," with an amendment.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am further directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the adoption of certain memorials, addressed to the Congress of the United States, praying the modification of the laws on the subject of letter postage, &c., and on the subject of the reduction of the price of those public lands which have been in market fifteen years, &c., with resolutions; and have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the adoption of their preambles and resolutions on the subject of the removal of the obstructions to the navigation of the western waters, and in relation to the importation of salt, duty free, into the United States; when

Mr. Hinton, of Greene county, rose and addressed the House, as follows:

Mr. Speaker: It becomes my painful duty to announce to this House the death of the Hon. John Green, a representative from the county of Greene, who departed this life at half past 6 o'clock, last evening. I, therefore, offer for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in the death of the Hon. John Green, a representative from the county of Greene, his constituents have been deprived of an honest and indefatigable public officer, the community of a high minded and generous member, and his bereaved family of a kind and indulgent father and husband.

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with the family of the deceased, in the irreparable loss they have sustained in the death of a kind husband and indulgent father. And as a mark of respect to the widow and family of the deceased, a copy of these resolutions be signed by the Speaker, and transmitted by the Clerk, to said widow.

Resolved, That a committee of twelve members be appointed to make necessary arrangements for the funeral services and burial of said deceased.

Resolved, That, as a mark of respect for the deceased, the members of this House will wear crape on the left arm for thirty days.

Resolve 1, That as a testimony of respect for said deceased, the House do now adjourn.

Resolved, That the members of this House will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, at half past two o'clock, P. M., of this day, to attend the funeral of the Hon. John Green, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and request their attendance; when the resolutions were unanimously adopted.

In conformity with one of the said resolutions, Messrs. Stewart, Woodworth, Wheat, Nesbit, Harper, Davis of Williamson, Kuykendall, Dubois, Ficklin, McClernand, Gobble, and Weatherford, were appointed a committee of arrangements.

When the House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill for "An act to create the county of Massac," was taken up, and the amendment of the Senate to the same read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Spicer presented the petition of citizens of Mercer county, remonstrating against the removal of the seat of justice of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Wheat presented the petition of citizens of Quincy, praying amendment of the law in relation to negroes and mulattoes, so as to make said law operative; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of the First Universalist Church in Chicago; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of citizens of Morgan county, praying the formation of a new county out of parts of the counties of Greene, Morgan, and Macoupin; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bryant presented the petitions of citizens of Bureau county, praying a corporation for agricultural and mechanical purposes; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Manning presented the petition of citizens of Knox county, praying the abolishment of capital punishment; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Also, the remonstrance of citizens of Knox county, against the repeal or amendment of the relief law; which, without reading, was, on his motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Manning also presented the petition of sundry citizens of Galesburg colony, in favor of colored gentlemen; which, without reading, was on his motion, indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Fowler presented the remonstrance of citizens of Christian county, against a removal of the Darwin and Charlestown turnpike road; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions on the subject.

Mr. Logan presented the petition of Thomas Rudder, for a divorce; which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Menard presented the petition of Benjamin Kellogg, jr. for relief; which was read, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Pratt presented the petition of 293 citizens and voters of Morgan county, praying that the three mile strip on the northern part of Morgan county, be attached to the county of Cass; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the remonstrance of citizens of Tazewell county, against any division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the petition of Richard Dougherty, praying relief, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act for the relief of Richard Dougherty of Schuyler county;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the petition of citizens of the counties of Peoria and Woodford, praying the repeal of Col. Wm. L. May's ferry charter across the Illinois river, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. Adams, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported a bill for "An act authorising the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Kuykendall, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to which was referred a resolution, proposing inquiry, whether there are any obstructions to the navigation of the Kaskaskia river, &c., reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act authorising William Kinney to pay his indebtedness to the State in State bonds or scrip;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Green of Clay, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred a Senate bill for "An act for the relief of William M. Bell," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage, when the bill was

Ordered to be read a third time.

Mr. Adams, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, reported a bill for "An act authorising the building of a bridge across Rock river;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred a Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish a ferry across the Illinois river,' approved February 23, 1841," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Hannaford moved to amend the bill by striking out the second section; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Hannaford and Tackerberry, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Bryant, Dickinson, Hannaford, Koerner, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—23.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Yates—80.

When the bill was

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Thompson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Penn.

Mr. Marshall, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to improve the navigation of the rapids in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were read and concurred in, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, reported bills of the following titles:

"An act for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to reduce the public debt;"

"An act to amend certain laws;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, reported a bill for "An act for the invasion of Canada;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Murphy, Ames, and Jackson of Whiteside be said committee.

Mr. Dollins, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were read and concurred in, and the bill as amended was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act providing a voluntary mode for registering births and deaths;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Shirley and Menard, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bradley, Bryant, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dickinson, Dougherty, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—65.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Blair, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Gobble, Green of Clay, Haley, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calh'n, Marshall, Nesbit, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, West, White, Whitten, and Wilson—39.

Mr. Horney, from the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, reported a bill for "An act to supply a contingent fund, and to lessen the State indebtedness;" which was read the first and second times, and,

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the joint select committee of the two Houses, to which was referred certain resolutions of inquiry into the affairs of the present and late Fund Commissioners, made a report on the subject, and reported also a bill for "An act for the settlement of the accounts of the late Fund Commissioner and others;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Re-committed to the same joint select committee which reported the same to the House, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The report of the committee was laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to regulate elections for Senator and Representative of Richland and Clay counties," and

"An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund between the counties of Clay and Richland."

The Senate have adopted the accompanying preamble and resolution on the subject of an increased pension for Hezekiah West.

In the adoption of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am further directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of their bill for "An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing, in Peoria county, to Farmington, in Fulton county;" and have refused to order to a third reading, a bill from the House for "An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetery Association," and that they have concurred with them in the passage of their bill for "An act to create the county of Okaw," with amendments.

In which amendments, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt."

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," was taken up for consideration, read, and

Mr. Brown of Pike moved to amend the bill by adding the following:

"This act shall not be so construed as to include any donations or grants of land that may be hereafter made by the General Government;" which,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Was laid on the table.

And the bill passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Shirley and Cochran, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—67.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dollins, Dubois, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jonas, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, Marshall, Norris, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Thompson, Vinyard, West, White, Wilson, and Yates—37.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of sum-

moning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties;”

“An act to authorise the canal commissioners to pay the back per centage on section 157;”

“An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;”

“An act to authorise the common council of the city of Chicago to straighten Madison street, in said city.”

And as correctly enrolled, the following memorial to Congress, praying the reduction of postage on letters;

“Preamble and resolutions relative to the duties on foreign salt;”

“Preamble and resolution in relation to the improvement of western rivers;”

“Resolution in relation to the death of the Hon. John Green.”

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College of the State of Illinois;”

“An act to authorise the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry county;”

“An act supplementary to ‘An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in the State, in force February 26, 1841;”

“An act authorising the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river;”

“An act to authorise Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi river;”

“An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit;”

“An act to establish the county of Audubon;” when,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Engrossed bill for “An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit,” was taken out of the orders of the day, read the third time by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, transmitting to the House a communication from General Andrew Jackson, acknowledging the receipt of the joint resolution of the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, instructing the delegation of said State, in the Congress of the United States, to vote for a law refunding the fine imposed upon General Jackson in 1815, by Judge Dominick A. Hall; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House, proceedings of the Legislature of Georgia, in relation to the repudiation of State debts, and on certain

resolves of the commonwealth of Massachusetts against the imprisonment of free negroes, under the laws of those States which prohibit the ingress of such persons within their borders; which were read, and the latter,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The former, was laid on the table.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House certain proceedings of the Legislature of South Carolina, in relation to the tariff laws; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

Referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Gregg, Murphy, Wheat, McClernand, and Marshall, be that committee.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House another communication from the Governor, transmitting a communication from Ex-Governor Carlin, relative to certain State bonds; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, with instructions to report a law providing the mode in which the Governor shall cause State bonds to be registered and destroyed, which embrace as well those which have been, or hereafter may be paid off, as those which have not been sold by the State; also, that they report a provision destroying all the bonds and scrip, and other evidences of indebtedness now in the hands of the Governor, or the late or present Fund Commissioners.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An to establish the county of Audubon;”

“An act fixing the times of holding circuit courts in the seventh judicial circuit;”

“An act supplementary to ‘An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in this State,’ in force Feb. 26, 1841;”

“An act authorizing the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river;”

“An act to authorize the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry county;”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to locate and change certain State roads,’ approved Feb. 27, 1841;”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act disposing of the public property in Vandalia, and for other purposes;”

“An act to authorize Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi river;”

“An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College of the State of Illinois,” and

“An act organizing a school district in Vermilion county, and authorizing the sale of school lands therein.”

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the State Treasurer, in answer to certain resolutions of this House, on the subject of the internal improvement property of the State; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Gobble presented the affidavit of Wm.. Fleming and Stephen Lufkin, in relation to the damage sustained by Greathouse & Dorsey, by the falling of the wall of the penitentiary, &c.; which, without reading, was referred to the select committee having under consideration matters connected with the penitentiary.

Mr. Woodworth presented the petition of citizens of the counties of LaSalle and Lee, praying the location of a State road; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they did, on yesterday, lay before the Council of Revision, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to locate and change certain State roads,' approved Feb. 27, 1841;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act disposing of the public property in Vandalia, and for other purposes;' "

"An act to incorporate the directors of the Literary and Medical College of the State of Illinois;"

"An act to authorize the removal of the seat of justice of McHenry county;"

"An act supplementary to 'An act to apportion the representation of the several counties in the State,' in force February 26, 1841;"

"An act authorizing the construction of a toll bridge across Rock river;"

"An act to authorize Benjamin B. Gates and David Higby to extend their mill-dam on the rapids of the Mississippi river;"

"An act fixing the times of holding courts in the seventh judicial circuit;"

"An act to establish the county of Audubon."

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to create the county of Massac;"

"An act to regulate elections for Senator and Representative of Richland and Clay counties;"

"An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing, in Peoria county, to Farmington, in Fulton county;"

"An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund between the counties of Clay and Richland;"

And, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act authorizing William Kinney to pay his indebtedness to the State in State bonds or scrip;"

"An act authorizing the building of a bridge across Rock river;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river;"

"An act for the relief of Richard Dougherty, of Schuyler county;"

"An act providing a voluntary mode of registering births and deaths."

Mr. Pratt presented the petition of citizens of Cass county, praying that three miles of the northern part of Morgan county, be attached to the county of Cass; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Epler presented the petition of citizens of Morgan county, praying the passage of a law limiting the jurisdiction of justices of the peace and constables to the precinct in which they reside; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Gregg presented the petition of sundry citizens of Will county, praying the reduction of the interest on the school fund, to six or seven per cent; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the petition of Alfred Brown and others, citizens of Whiteside county, praying the passage of a law authorizing them to change the channel of Rock creek, in said county, for milling purposes; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Also, the petition of citizens of Whiteside county, praying the passage of a law chartering a company to dam Rock river, for the purpose of improving its navigation, and for other purposes therein named; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson of Whiteside, Andrus, and Harper, be that committee.

Mr. Kuykendall presented a memorial to Congress, on the subject of public lands; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Yates presented the petition of citizens of Morgan county, praying the passage of a law providing for the disposition of the estate of Edward Mlodgonaski, deceased; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Douglas presented the petition of citizens in the second school district, range five east, township five south, in Hamilton county, praying certain relief therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Bryant presented the petition of citizens of La Salle county, relating to the repeal of certain laws therein mentioned; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. McDonald of Calhoun presented the petition of J. C. Harrison, praying compensation for apprehending Thomas Johnson, a fugitive from justice; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the remonstrance of citizens of Woodford county, against the addition of territory to said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Arnold presented the petition of Wm. G. Ford, W. Page, and others, praying the extension of the trial by jury; the reading of the petition was dispensed with; when

Mr. Arnold moved its reference to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Ficklin moved its indefinite postponement; which was agreed to.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839, and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were read, and concurred in; when

Mr. Collins moved to amend the bill by striking out the last clause of the 6th section, as follows: "but no lands shall be valued for less than three dollars per acre." when

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

The consideration of the bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839; and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839," was resumed.

The question being on the amendment to the bill proposed by Mr. Collins, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Wilson and Davis of Bond, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibb, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Canady, Collins, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dollins, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, Manning, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Wilson—63.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bailhache, Blair, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burdick, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClerland, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Menard, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—45.

Mr. Blair moved to amend the bill by adding the following to the 6th section, viz:

"That no lands shall be valued for less than two dollars per acre."

Mr. Ames moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClerland and Ames, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibb, Blakeman, Bope, Brinkley, Bryant, Canady, Collins, Davis of Bond, DuLois, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, Manning, Marshall, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Wilson—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Menard, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Shirley, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—54.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act to permanently locate the seat of justice of the county of Whiteside."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Blair presented the petition of citizens of Pike county, praying the passage of a law declaring that branch of the Mississippi river, called the Snicarty, navigable; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Kendall presented the petition of J. N. Piggot, of Jersey county, guardian of minor heirs; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Arnold presented the memorial of the common council of Chicago, asking that the recorded plat of school section addition to said town may be legalized; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of sundry citizens of Greene county, praying the formation of a new county out of parts of Greene, Morgan, and Macoupin counties; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Cochran presented the petition of citizens of Union county, praying the establishment of a State road from Saratoga to Cairo; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the remonstrance of 280 citizens of Woodford county, against any addition of territory to said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act making appropriations for the year 1843 and 1844;" which, on his motion, was read the first and second times by the title, and committed to a committee of the whole House, and made the special order of the day for Monday next.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," reported the same back, with an amendment, in the nature of a substitute; which was read; when

Mr. Logan moved that said bill and proposed amendment be made the special order of the day for to-morrow, at 10 o'clock, A. M.; which was agreed to.

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839; and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839," coming up for consideration,

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Blair to the 6th section of said bill, on yesterday; when

Mr. Turner demanded a call of the House; and after the call was had,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question recurring on Mr. Blair's amendment,

Mr. Simms moved that the bill and amendment be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to; when

The amendment proposed by Mr. Blair, was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Blair, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Shirley, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Canady, Collins, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Green of Clay, Haley, Hannaford, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, Madden, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Wilson—58.

Mr. Bone moved to amend the bill by inserting after the word "warrants," in the fourth line of the first section, the words, "or the notes of specie paying banks;" when, further action on the bill was suspended; when

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, informing the House of the amount of State bonds and other evidences of State indebtedness handed over to the Governor by the State Bank; which was read, and laid on the table, and,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit;

Ordered, That three thousand copies of the same be printed.

Mr. Wheat, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act granting to the city of Quincy the right of way on that portion of the Northern Cross Railroad, lying within its limits;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Re-

presentatives that they have passed bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to amend 'An act to establish a State road from Jemison's ferry, in Pope county, to Cape Girardeau,' in force March 2, 1839;"

"An act to correct a mistake in the platting and recording of the plat of Peru;"

"An act to re-locate the county seat of Carroll county;"

"An act to open a new street in the city of Chicago, and for other purposes;"

"An act to establish a State road therein named;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bureau to borrow money;"

"An act to authorize the Governor to convey certain lots, in the town of Shawneetown, to E. J. Durbin;"

"An act for the regulating of county treasuries and county funds;"

"An act for the benefit of minor heirs;"

"An act in relation to the town of Manchester," and

"An act to pay over school money to the county of Kendall."

In the passage of which bills they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The question arising on Mr. Bone's amendment to the revenue bill,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bone, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to define the boundary lines of Menard county;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Whitcomb, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the settlement of the accounts of the contractors on the line of the Illinois and Michigan Canal;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bailhache, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning a town plat therein named,' approved Feb. 17, 1841;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Sharp, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Nesbit, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Northern Cross Railroad;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Nesbit, from the same committee, reported a bill for "An act explanatory of the act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property under judgments and executions,' approved Jan. 6, 1843;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Davis of Bond, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal the charter of the Wiggins ferry;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Arnold, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, reported a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the extinguishment of the State debt;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Whitcomb, Pratt, Woodworth, and Turner be that committee.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Counties, reported a bill for "An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Jonas, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, reported a bill for "An act for the county of Marquette, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jonas, Starr, and Garrett be that committee.

Mr. Whitcomb, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Anderson, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported a bill for "An act to abolish the office of county recorder, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time by its title, and

Ordered to a second reading.

The bill was then read the second time, and

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Tackerberry, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Tazewell Farmers' and Mechanics' Company;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Howard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act fixing the times of holding the courts in the eighth judicial circuit;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Bradley, from the committee on Elections, reported a bill for "An act to authorise the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act to improve the navigation of the rapids in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company."

The committee also report, as correctly enrolled, a "preamble and resolution in relation to Oregon," and

"A preamble and resolution relating to pre-emption rights, and reducing the price of public lands."

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, reported a bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Lonergan;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Gregg, from the same committee, reported a bill for "An act to reduce the number of officers upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal;" which was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

It was then read the second time by its title, and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Vandever, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the security of the school fund of the several townships in this State;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for a State road therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives, that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to create the county of Massac;"

"An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund, between the counties of Clay and Richland;"

"An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing, in Peoria county, to Farmington, in Fulton county;"

"An act to authorise the common council of the city of Chicago, to straighten Madison street, in said city," and

"An act to regulate elections for Senator and Representative of Richland and Clay counties."

Mr. Turner, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Astoria Milling and Manufacturing Company;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act defining the boundaries of Lake county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Jackson of McHenry,
Referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Green, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act making a partial change in the appropriation of the saline lands to the counties of Clay and Richland;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Also, a bill for "An act to change the time of holding circuit courts in Richland county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, Green, and Compton be that committee.

Mr. Kuykendall, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorise John T. Davis, and his associates, to build a mill on Saline creek, in Williamson county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Courtright, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Kankakee and Iroquois navigation company;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone, and James W. Noble;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Hatch, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of the late collector of Du Page county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Koerner, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend the criminal code;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Dennis, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in said second judicial circuit;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Blakeman, from the committee on Internal Improvements, introduced a bill for "An act amendatory of 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,' in force January 6, 1843;" which was read the first time.

Mr. Anderson moved the the indefinite postponement of the bill; when

Mr. Logan moved to lay the bill on the table, which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Ewing, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Court-right, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble,

Green of Clay, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bryant, Burklow, Canady, Collins, Davis of Bond, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandev eer, West, White, Wilson, and Yates—45.

Mr. Dougherty, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred a resolution of inquiry into the expediency of repealing all laws granting a bounty on wolf scalps, reported a bill for "An act in relation to the premium upon wolf scalps;" which was read the first and second times; when

Mr. Starr moved the reference of the bill to the committee on Finance; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Collins moved its reference to a select committee; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Vandev eer moved to lay the bill on the table; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the bill by adding the following section.

"SEC. 2. The county commissioners of the several counties may give such premium on wolf scalps as in their discretion they may thing proper."

Mr. Vandev eer moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Thompson moved to amend the proposed amendment by adding "not exceeding six and a fourth cents for each scalp;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Garrett,

Laid on the table.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the proposed amendment by adding the following: "not exceeding twenty-five cents for each scalp."

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan, by adding the following: "not exceeding one dollar for each scalp;" which was agreed to; when

The amendment, as amended, was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

The following proviso to the first section, was agreed to, to wit:

"Provided, that this law shall not extend to certificates issued previous to the passage of this act."

Mr. Horney demanded the previous question; which was sustained; when

The bill was ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Spicer and Jonas, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Ham-
baugh, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tacker-
berry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—77.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bryant, Collins, Court-
right, Dubois, Glass, Green, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Jackson of
Whiteside, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald
of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering,
Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Van-
deveer, Vinyard, West, Wilson, and Woodworth—34.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they
had this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following
titles, to wit:

“An act to locate a State road from Lancaster landing, in Peoria coun-
ty, to Farmington, in Fulton county;”

“An act to authorize the common council of the city of Chicago, to
straighten Madison street, in said city;”

“An act for the settlement of the internal improvement fund between
the counties of Clay and Richland;”

“An act to regulate elections for Senator and Representative of Rich-
land and Clay counties;”

“An act to create the county of Massac.”

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill for “An act to incorporate the
Juliet Seminary, and to elevate the primary schools in township thirty-
five north, of range ten east;” which was read the first and second times by
its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was refer-
red Senate bill for “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to authorize
the sale of the saline lands in Bond county,’ reported the same back to
the House, with amendments; which were concurred in, and,

The bill, as amended, ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Yates, on leave, introduced a bill for “An act to exempt the prop-
erty of colleges and common schools from taxation, for a limited period;”
which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the
committee on Education.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was refer-
red the petition of A. Gessler, upon that subject, reported a bill for “An
act to regulate the fees of the clerks of circuit courts, in case of natural-
ization of foreigners;” which was read the first and second times by its ti-
tle, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

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On motion of Mr. Logan,

The Senate bill for "An act to repeal the laws incorporating the town of Chester," was taken from the orders of the day, read the third time and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ames, Jackson of McHenry, and Turner, be that committee.

Mr. Scott, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Lamoille Agricultural and Mechanical Association;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Also, a bill for "An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, a justice of the peace for DeWitt county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Kuykendall, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize S. Copland to establish a ferry across the Ohio River, in Johnson county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs Kuykendall, Cochran, and Bradley be that committee.

Mr. Logan, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act authorizing the building a bridge across the Sangamon river, in Sangamon county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Bone, and Hickman be that committee.

Mr. Dollins, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Menard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Horney,

Referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Horney, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act regulating the sale of property by execution;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Horney,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Horney, Vance, and Vinyard be that committee.

Mr. Smith of Hancock, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to incorporate the

town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes," reported it back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Ordered, that the bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Horney, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to change the name of the person therein named;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Horney, Ervin, and Hambaugh be that committee.

Mr. Horney, on leave, also introduced a bill for "An act to simplify the laws of Illinois, and bring them within the comprehension of all;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and referred to the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings.

Mr. Pickering, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act concerning the Alton and Mount Carmel Railroad, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

When the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Weatherford presented the petition of citizens of Lynnville, Morgan county; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee, composed of the members from said county.

Ordered, That Messrs. Weatherford, Yates, Cloud, and Epler be that committee.

Mr. Jonas presented the petition of citizens of Adams county, praying to be attached to the county of Marquette; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bryant presented the petition of the county commissioners of Stark county, praying the passage of a law authorizing them to rent certain rooms in the court house in said county; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, presented the petition of Wm. Porter, assignee of E. G. Johns; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Brown of Pike presented the remonstrance of citizens of Pike county, against a new county being formed out of Pike and Adams; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred petitions on the same subject.

Mr. Sharp presented the petition of citizens of Fulton county, praying the location of a State road from Springfield to Macomb, in McDonough county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Stockton presented the petition of citizens of Warren and Henderson counties, for a road therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Vandever presented the petition of citizens of Shelby, Christian and Sangamon counties, for the review of a part of the Charleston and Darwin turnpike road; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which has been referred petitions of like import.

Mr. Hanson presented the petition of citizens of Coles county, praying a division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Wheat presented the petition of citizens of township two north, and six west, praying to be set off from the county of Marquette, and to be attached to the county of Adams; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, the proceedings of six public meetings of the citizens of Adams county, relative to a division of said county; one of which was read, and the documents referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jonas presented the proceedings of a public meeting of citizens of Adams county, relative to the division of said county; which was read and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the remonstrance of 125 citizens of Woodford county against any addition of territory to said county.

Also, the petition of citizens of Tazewell county, praying to be added to Woodford county.

Also, the petition of citizens of Woodford county, praying the addition of a portion of the territory of Tazewell county to the said county of Woodford.

Also, the petition of sundry citizens of the county of Tazewell, praying the re-location of the county seat of said county; which, without reading, were severally referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Haley presented the petition of citizens of Henderson county, praying an amendment of the militia law; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Bryant presented the petition of citizens of Stark county, praying an addition to the territory of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on Claims, reported a bill for the relief of the collector of Pope county; which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Woodworth moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk respectfully ask the Senate to return to this House the bill for "An act to reduce the number of officers employed upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal;" which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Murphy and Miller, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Green, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Koerner, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Owen, Scott, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Cushman, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing,

Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Stockton, Thompson, Weatherford, and White—56.

A bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," and the proposed amendment of the committee on the Judiciary, being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

Mr. Weatherford moved to amend the proposed amendment by striking out all after the word "that" in the first line of the first section, and inserting the following, viz:

"The Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, shall, within five days after the passage of this act, deliver to the Governor, acting in behalf of the State, five hundred thousand dollars in the indebtedness of the State, and shall also deliver to the Governor their written agreement, to deliver to him in behalf of the State five hundred thousand more of State indebtedness within months after the passage of this act, with interest thereon, at the rate of six per cent. per annum, till paid; and the delivery to the Governor of said five hundred thousand dollars in State indebtedness, and said agreement to deliver five hundred thousand dollars more of State indebtedness within months, shall be deemed and taken as sufficient evidence of the consent of said bank to purchase the stock of the State in said institution.

"SEC. 2. Upon payment being made for said stock as aforesaid by the delivery of said million of State indebtedness as aforesaid, the Governor shall assign and transfer to said bank all the right, title, and interest of the State, held by the State in said institution; and the directors appointed by the Governor in behalf of the State in said institution, shall be withdrawn, and the connection between the State and said bank shall forever thereafter cease and be at an end.

"SEC. 3. A lien is hereby created upon the money, effects and property of the bank, real, personal and mixed, until the said bank shall surrender to the Governor all the residue of the liabilities of the State, to be paid by the bank to the Governor under any contract to be made under the authority of this act; and for any failure to make such surrender or payment, the bank shall be liable to pay to the State twenty per cent. damages, upon any amount which the bank shall so fail to surrender or pay, to be recovered by action of debt in the name of the Governor of the State of Illinois, for the use of the State of Illinois.

"SEC. 4. The bank shall not, after the divorce and separation as aforesaid, issue any bond, bill, note, or other evidence of indebtedness, by which the State would be in any wise bound as a stockholder, but all issues that the bank thereafter shall make, shall be made upon the faith, credit and responsibility of the bank alone, and the State shall not be in any wise bound for the payment of any issue thereafter made.

"SEC. 5. If the bank shall fail to purchase the stock of the State as aforesaid, the Governor shall be, and he is hereby authorized to negotiate the sale of the same to any person or corporation upon the best terms for the State practicable, and in case of sale, he shall be authorized, and it is hereby made his duty, to assign to the purchaser or purchasers the stock

so sold, and all of the right and interest of the State in the money, effects and property of said bank, real, personal or mixed, to said purchaser or purchasers; and the said purchaser or purchasers shall be entitled to have the same representation in the board of directors of the bank, that the State now has by virtue of her stock, and the directors on the part of the State, shall be forever withdrawn from the bank, from and after such sale; *Provided*, that the Governor shall not sell the stock of the State as aforesaid, for less than one million of dollars in the liabilities of the State, without interest.

"SEC. 6. In case a sale shall be made under the fifth section of this act, the State shall not, either directly or indirectly, be liable for any issues or contracts made or to be made by the bank.

"SEC. 7. Whenever the Governor shall receive any of the liabilities of the State under the provisions of this act, he shall cause the same to be registered by the Secretary of State, in a book to be kept for that purpose, setting forth the dates and amounts of such liabilities, when due, and to whom payable; and the Auditor and Treasurer in the presence of the Governor, shall destroy the same by fire, and the Governor shall make report of the same to the next General Assembly.

"SEC. 8. There shall be appointed by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one person, who shall be called the Commissioner of the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, who shall be commissioned, take an oath of office, execute a bond, and shall serve the same length of time, be entitled to the same compensation, and subject to removal from office, as is provided for the bank commissioner in the "Act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation. It shall be the duty of said commissioner, as soon after his appointment as practicable, to visit the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, and such branches of said bank as to him may seem proper, and he shall have free access to the vaults, books, and papers of said institution, and he shall thoroughly inspect and examine the affairs of said corporation, and make all such enquiries as may be necessary to ascertain the true condition of said bank, and whether it has violated any of the provisions of the charter of said corporation.

"SEC. 9. If, upon examination of said bank, said commissioner shall be of opinion that said bank has in any manner, or in any respect whatever, violated its charter, and forfeited its corporate privileges, or if said bank shall fail to comply with any contract it may make with the Governor to purchase the stock of the State in said institution, said commissioner shall apply to some one of the justices of the Supreme Court to issue a writ of "*quo warranto*," and at the discretion of the said justice, to issue also an injunction, to restrain said bank in whole, or in part, from further proceeding with its business, until a hearing can be had on the subject, and it shall be the duty of the person to whom said writ or other process may be issued, to execute the same, and after a full hearing of all the charges alleged against the bank, said court may dissolve or modify said injunction, if any is granted, or make it perpetual, and may make an order, declaring all the banking powers of said corporation forfeited; which decree and order of said court shall be subject to an appeal to the Supreme Court of this State, as in other chancery proceedings.

"SEC. 10. If the charter of said bank shall be declared by the court to

be forfeited, it shall immediately go into liquidation. It shall cease to exercise all acts whatever, except such as may be necessary to wind up its affairs, collect and secure its debts, pay its debts, sell its real and personal estate, issue certificates for balances which it may owe its creditors, receive the notes of its debtors from time to time, upon the payment of instalments of one-fifth each time, and to sue and be sued in relation to all its transactions; for which purpose, and for no other whatever, the charter of said bank shall be continued for the term of four years from the order of the court, declaring said forfeiture, and no longer.

"SEC. 11. If the charter of said bank shall be declared forfeited, it shall not thereby forfeit any of its personal effects, nor shall its lands revert, nor shall it be released from any liability, nor shall any person be released from liability to the bank, nor shall the security for the payment of money, or the performance of any other act, either to or by the bank, be annihilated or affected thereby.

"SEC. 12. In case the said Bank of Illinois, previous to its charter being declared forfeited, shall have purchased the stock of the State in said institution, or if it shall, after the decree of forfeiture, make such purchase, and shall fully pay for the same, then and in that case, the president, and directors of said bank elected by the private stockholders, shall have the right to wind up the affairs of said bank in the same manner, and under the same power and restrictions as is provided for the winding up of the State Bank of Illinois, by the president and directors thereof, in the "Act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," approved January, A. D. 1844.

"SEC. 13. If the charter of said bank shall be declared forfeited as hereinbefore provided for, the provisions of the second, (2) third, (3) fourth, (4) fifth, (5) sixth, (6) eighth, (8) ninth, (9) twelfth, (12) thirteenth, (13) fourteenth, (14) fifteenth, (15) and sixteenth, (16) sections of "An act to diminish the State debt, and to put the State Bank into liquidation," approved January A. D. 1843, and the provisions an act to amend an act, approved January A. D. 1843, so far as the same can be made, are hereby declared to be and are made applicable to the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown.

"SEC. 14. In case said commissioner shall not have instituted suit against said bank as hereinbefore provided for, previous to the last payment being made for the stock of the State in said institution; or in case said bank shall not, within ten days after the passage of this act, enter into contract with the Governor to purchase the stock of the State, as herein provided for—in either event, it shall be, and is hereby made his imperative duty immediately after said last payment shall have been made, or said bank shall have failed to enter into said contract, to proceed forthwith to institute proceedings before the proper legal tribunals to test the question of the validity of the charter of said institution."

Mr. Dollins demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with; when House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Haley,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary enquire into the expediency of amending the law in relation to docket fees, by reducing or abolishing the fees, especially in cases of appeal, and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Tackerberry,

Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to establish a ferry across the Illinois river,'" approved February 23, 1841, was taken from the orders of day, read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, accompanied by the report of the board of auditors, made in pursuance of the "Act creating a board of auditors to settle the accounts of contractors on the public works," approved February 26, 1841; which, without reading, was

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Referred to committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House a communication from the Auditor of Public Accounts, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, in relation to the claims for work done upon the State House; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Speaker also laid before the House a report from the Public Printer; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The bill for "An act to define the bounds of Boone county," was taken out of the orders of the day, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island;"

"An act for the relief of Thomas Lonergan;"

"An act to define the boundary lines of Menard county;"

"An act for the relief of the late collector of Du Page county;"

"An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county;"

"An act making a partial change in the appropriation of the saline lands to the counties of Clay and Richland."

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from John Tillson, jr., which was read, and

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Referred to the committee on Finance.

The bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," and the amendment of the committee on the Judiciary, as proposed to be amended by Mr. Weatherford, came up for consideration as the special order of the day; when,

Mr. Ficklin demanded a call of the House.

Mr. Whitcomb obtained leave of absence for Mr. Cushman.

Mr. Stewart, pending the call from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which had been referred the memorial of John Lonergan and others, made a report; which,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Was laid on the table.

Mr. Stewart, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act granting pre-emptions to settlers upon State lands in certain cases;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Vandever, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal 'An act therein named;'" which was read the first and second times, and

On motion of Mr. Turner,

Referred to the committee on Manufactures and Agriculture.

On motion of Mr. Collins,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Mr. Koerner moved to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. Weatherford, to the amendment of the committee, on the table, until the fourth day of July next; when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Whitten presented the petition of the trustees of Hillsboro Academy; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Jonas presented the proceedings of a public meeting of citizens of Columbus, on the subject of a division of the county of Adams; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the petition of citizens of Woodford county, praying the appointment of commissioners to locate the county seat of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, the remonstrance of citizens of Tazewell county, against any further division of said county; which, without reading; were, on his motion, laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary, be required to examine that portion of the road laws, passed 1810 and 1841, and inquire into the expediency of so amending as to allow damages to be assessed for lands that are used for roads.

Mr. Anderson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, Compton, and Wilson, be that committee.

Mr. Arnold, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act in relation to the Chicago Marine and Fire Insurance Company;"

"An act authorizing judgments to be entered by confession before justices of the peace and the circuit court in vacation, and for other purposes;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Chicago Hydraulic Company;' which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Arnold, also, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to the school fund of the city of Chicago;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Bailhache, on leave introduced a bill for "An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 23, 1839." which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bibbens, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act in relation to pedlars,' approved Feb. 27, 1841;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Also, a bill for "An act in reference to the county seat of Kendall county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bibbens, Ames, and Jackson of McHenry be that committee.

Mr. Bishop, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act concerning executors, administrators, and guardians;" which was read the first and second times by its title and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bishop, White, and Manning, be that committee.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills, as correctly engrossed, viz:

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain money therein named;"

"An act in relation to the premium on wolf scalps;"

"An act to regulate the fees of the clerks of circuit courts, in case of naturalization of foreigners;"

"An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, a justice of the peace for De Witt county."

"An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone and James W. Noble;"

"An act to authorize John T. Davis and his associates to build a mill on Saline creek, in Williamson county;"

"An act to amend the act entitled "An act concerning a town plat therein named," approved Feb. 17, 1841;"

"An act for the relief of the collector of Pope county."

Mr. Blair, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act concerning the interest on school funds;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Blakeman, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to amend 'An act concerning justices of the peace and constables;'"

"An act for certain purposes therein named;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Blakeman, Thompson, and Bailhache be that committee.

Mr. Bone, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bills, as correctly engrossed, to wit.

"An act to incorporate the town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes;"

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in said second judicial circuit;"

"An act fixing the times of holding the courts in the eighth judicial circuit;"

"An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county."

Mr. Bradley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for certain purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bradley, Burklow, and McMillan be that committee.

Mr. Brinkley, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles:

"An act to change certain State roads therein named;"

"An act to repeal certain acts therein named;"

"An act to locate a certain State road therein named;"

"An act to remove the seat of government from Springfield to Peoria," which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Brinkley, Hannaford, and Loy be that committee.

Mr. Brinkley, also, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act respecting free negroes and mulattoes, servants and slaves,' approved Jan. 17, 1829;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Brinkley, Dubois, Davis of Williamson, Hick, and Penn be that committee.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act making appropriations for the years 1842 and 1843;"

"An act to amend 'An act concerning the public revenue;'"

"An act for certain purposes therein named;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Bryant, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to incorporate the Princeton High School, in Bureau county;"

"An act to provide for the improvement of the Illinois river, and for other purposes;"

"An act to amend 'An act therein named;' which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bryant, Langworthy, and Manning be that committee.

Mr. Courtright, for Mr. Busey, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to district the county of Champaign;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Courtright, Busey, and Norris be that committee.

Mr. Canady, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act authorizing Vermilion and Iroquois counties to sell certain lands and make certain payments to Champaign county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Salines.

Mr. Canady, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the better regulating of county treasuries and county funds;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Also a bill for "An act to provide for common schools in Vermilion county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Cloud, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to reduce the public expenditures;"

"An act for the settlement and occupation of the territory of Oregon, and to declare war with England on certain contingencies;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Also, a bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning practice in courts of law,' approved Jan. 29, 1827;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Collins, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Collins, Gregg, and Stewart be that committee.

Mr. Courtright, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to legalize the assessment of property in the county of Iroquois;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Courtright, Canady, and Simms be that committee.

Mr. Cushman, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act relating to the revenue of La Salle county," and a bill for

"An act authorizing the county commissioners of La Salle county to dispose of depreciated bank notes belonging to the school fund;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Also, a bill for "An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Elections.

Also, a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839;" and to legalize the assessment of property in the county of La Salle, for the year 1841;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Davis of Williamson, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act for the purposes therein named;"

"An act for the encouragement of agriculture," and

"An act to authorize William T. Ryburn to erect a mill-dam across Muddy river;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Kuykendall, Hicks, and Douglas be that committee.

Mr. Dennis, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Dollins, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to define the duties of certain officers, and for other purposes;"

"An act to punish bribery in certain cases of evidence;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Ficklin, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act relative to Coles county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Flanders, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to enable the trustees of a township therein named to obtain an equivalent for the 16th section of said township;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Salines.

Mr. Garrett, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Garrett, Starr, and Blair be that committee.

Mr. Glass, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the annexation of Texas to the United States;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ames, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to repeal so much of an act to incorporate the city and Bank of Cairo, as relates to the Bank of Cairo, and all other acts relative to the Bank of Cairo;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Graves, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county to assess the rates of toll on a certain bridge therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Also a bill for "An act for the benefit of Stephenson county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Gobble, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace,' approved Dec. 29, 1826;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Also, a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Gobble, Glass, and Weatherford be that committee.

Mr. Gregg, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the sale of lands for a burial ground;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Also, a bill for "An act to establish a ferry across the Illinois river;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Greene, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act for the relief of the persons therein named;"

"An act for the relief of James Cheak and others," and

"An act to define the duties of administrators;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Hambaugh, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the discovery of State property, made use of by individuals;" and a bill for

"An act to prevent the removing any part of the Northern Cross Railroad, or its point of landing on the Illinois river; which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hambaugh, Pratt, Cloud, Brown of Sangamon, and Nesbit be that committee.

Mr. Hannaford, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the apportionment of school moneys in Cook county, for the year 1842, and for other purposes;" and a bill for

"An act to remove the obstructions in the Illinois river, and for other purposes therein named;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Hatch, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of petitioners for divorce, and the support of illegitimate children;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hatch, McClernand, and Hanson be that committee.

Mr. Hickman, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hicks, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jefferson county, to rent certain rooms in the court house in Mount Vernon;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Hinton, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions;'" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hinton, Dollins, Hicks, Blair, and Manning be that committee.

Mr. Horney, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff of Schuyler county; also late sheriff and collector for Schuyler and Brown counties;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Horney, Hambaugh, and Vance be that committee.

Mr. Hunsaker, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of John Hodges, William Clap and others, securities of Jesse J. McLenden, former collector of Alexander county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the relief McHenry county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, a bill for "An act for the purpose of taxing old bachelors, and to reduce the State debt, and for other purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson of McHenry, Hatch, and Cushman be that committee.

Mr. Jonas, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to remedy hasty legislation, and for other purposes;"

"An act to incorporate a company to transport salt from Oregon territory to the city of Springfield;"

"An act to tax old bachelors and provide dowers for old maids;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jonas, Ficklin, and Dickinson be that committee.

Mr. Koerner, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to establish an independent treasury, and to diminish the State debt;"

"An act entitled 'An act to establish the Philosophian Society of McKendree College;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Lawler, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize Alfred Harris to establish a ferry across the Wabash river, in White county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Lockard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act regulating the duties of clerks of the circuit courts;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Logan, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act for the relief of Thomas Mather, Samuel H. Treat and others;"

"An act to provide funds for the payment of the public debt;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Weatherford, and Dollins be that committee.

Also, a bill for "An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school fund;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Loy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the benefit of the persons therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. McBride, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act concerning the mode of issuing licenses in this State;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. McBride, Dickinson, and Smith of Crawford be that committee.

Mr. Madden, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to locate a State road," and a bill for

"An act to incorporate the Coltonville Steam and Hydraulic Manufacturing Company;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Madden, Davis of Bond, and Murphy be that committee.

Mr. Logan, on leave, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named," reported the same back with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to repeal certain sections of an act entitled 'An act incorporating the city of Nauvoo, in the county of Hancock,' approved December 16, 1840," reported the same back without amendment, and recommended its passage; when,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

The bill was laid on the table,

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title:

"An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named."

Mr. Manning, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act regulating the time of holding courts in the fifth judicial circuit;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Manning, Wheat, and Sharp be that committee.

Also, a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, a bill for "An act to abolish the summer term of the Supreme Court;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Menard, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the settlement and occupation of Oregon;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Miller, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named," and a bill for

"An act to locate a State road from Lewistown, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Miller, Turner, and Bryant be that committee.

Mr. Mitchell, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the same select committee which had under consideration the subject of fees and salaries.

Mr. Murphy, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate a joint stock association, whose charter shall be irrevocable for 500 years, and whose duties it shall be to prevent flies from infesting our dairies, defiling our butter, and drowning themselves in the buttermilk;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Nesbit, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act relative to criminal jurisprudence,' approved January 30, 1827;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Nesbit, Hickman, and Wilson be that committee.

Mr. Douglas, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Hamilton county to appropriate certain moneys therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Douglas, Hicks, and Brinkley be that committee.

Mr. Norris, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act defining the duties of supervisors of roads and highways, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. McClernand, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to the penitentiary;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Owen, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act relative to the duties of sheriffs and county treasurers;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. Pickering, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act concerning the navigation of the river Bonpas, in Edwards county, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

Also, a bill for "An act to repeal the laws enforcing the payment of the docket fee, which now constitutes part of the costs of circuit court suits;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Also, a bill for "An act concerning the improvement of the breed of horses, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Pratt, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act in relation to the county of Cass;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Scott, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the benefit of persons therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Scott, McMillan, and Nesbit be that committee.

Mr. Sharp, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act regulating the duties of school commissioners and treasurers of townships;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, a bill for "An act to amend 'An act regulating mills and millers;'" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Sharp, Brown of Sangamon, and Hanson be that committee.

Mr. Shirley, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the removal of the seat of government from Springfield to Vandalia;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Shirley, Green, Hannaford, Dollins, and Sharp be that committee.

Mr. Smith of Crawford, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to encourage the growth of wool, and for other purposes;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Smith of Crawford, Aldrich, and Blakeman be that committee.

Mr. Smith of Hancock, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to establish a justice's district in Hancock county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Smith of Hancock, Owen, and Spicer be that committee.

Mr. Spicer, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice;"

"An act to remove the seat of government of the State of Illinois, and for other purposes;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds.

Also, a bill for "An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the same select committee to which had been referred bills of similar import.

Mr. Starr, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to secure the certain destruction of State bonds, and to provide for the recovery of bonds not destroyed as required by law;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Also, a bill for "An act in relation to the county of Adams;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Starr, Wheat, and Jonas be that committee.

Mr. Stewart, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend the several laws in relation to the militia of this State;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Militia.

Also, bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act in relation to pawn brokers, money lenders, and exchange dealers, in the several counties in this State;"

"An act in relation to the Mechanics' Institute in the city of Chicago;"

"An act regulating election wards in the city of Chicago," and

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Stewart, Arnold, and Whitcomb be that committee.

Mr. Tackerberry, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to incorporate the Tremont University," and a bill for

"An act to incorporate a company to build a bridge across the Illinois river, at the town of Pekin;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures.

Mr. Thompson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act entitled 'An act to amend an act concerning public roads,' approved February 20, 1841;" which was read the first time and the second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads.

Also, a bill for "An act to define the words 'ordinary times;'" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on State Roads, and a bill for

"An act for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Thompson, Dickinson, and Kuykendall be that committee.

Mr. Vance, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for certain purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Hanson, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act defining the words 'ordinary times;'" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hanson, Dubois, and Horney be that committee.

Mr. Vandever, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act for the settlement of the Oregon territory," and a bill for

"An act to repeal certain sections of 'An act therein named;'" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Vandever, Sharp, and Koerner be that committee.

Mr. Vinyard, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles:

"An act supplemental to 'An act to create the county of Massac,'" and

"An act for the relief of the school commissioners of Pope county;" which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Weatherford, on leave, introduced bills of the following titles:

"An act for the purposes therein mentioned," and

"An act to repeal certain laws;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Weatherford, Hinton, and Gobble be that committee.

Mr. Wheat, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the city of Quincy,' approved February 3, 1840;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Wheat, Browning, and Garrett be that committee.

Mr. Whitcomb, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the equitable adjustment and payment of interest on certain bonds heretofore paid to contractors on the line of the Illinois and Michigan Canal;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Also, a bill for "An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the select committee having under consideration certain matters connected with the penitentiary.

Mr. White, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning estrays,' approved February 9, 1835;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. White, Dennis, and Burklow be that committee.

Also, a bill for "An act to protect the rights of minors and orphans;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when

Mr. Logan moved its indefinite postponement; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ewing and Blakeman as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Douglas, Dubois, Garrett, Glass, Green, Hicks, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Turner, Vinyard, and Weatherford—34.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—67.

Mr. Logan moved to refer the bill to a select committee, with instructions to enquire into the expediency of modifying the law by striking out the words "ordinary times;" and also to give to creditors in general the same privileges as are given to guardians and administrators in this bill, and report a new bill, or such amendments as they may deem advisable.

Mr. Simms moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Blakeman, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cochran, Dennis, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Mil-

ler, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bryant, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Court-right, Crshman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Epler, Ewing, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—51.

When the House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The consideration of the bill for "An act to protect the rights and interests of minors and orphans," being resumed.

The question being on Mr. Logan's motion, to refer to a select committee, with instructions,

Mr. Cloud moved that the House re-consider its vote taken in the forenoon, to lay the bill and amendments on the table.

Mr. Glass demanded a call of the House; and after the call was had,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question then being on Mr. Cloud's motion to re-consider,

It was decided in the affirmative.

The question then coming up on laying the bill and instructions on the table.

It was decided in the affirmative.

Mr. White introduced a bill for "An act to provide for the registration of the colored population of this State;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Woodworth introduced three bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to replenish the State Treasury;"

"An act for leasing water power on the Illinois and Michigan canal," and

"An act concerning La Salle county;" which were severally read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Yates introduced a bill for "An act to vest the estate of Edward Mlodznoski, deceased, in Dennis Rockwell, in trust for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Compton introduced a bill for "An act for the relief of Lawson Cory, late collector of Wabash county;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Aldrich introduced three bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to require county assessors to take the next State census;"

"An act to prevent trespasses on timbered land, where fines cannot be collected," and

"An act to prevent Madison county from electing old bachelors to the Legislature, and for the relief of old maids, and other purposes;" all of which were read the first and second times by their titles, and referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Whitcomb moved for adoption the following preamble and resolution, viz:

Whereas, a joint resolution has passed this General Assembly, condemnatory of the act known as the bankrupt law, and instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives, in Congress to vote for its repeal, because of its unjust operation, giving debtors the power of releasing themselves from the obligations to their creditors forever, whether they may be able hereafter to pay or not, thereby availing themselves of the unjust advantages of the law to the utter disregard of their honest and just debts, and although we would not rank all who have availed themselves of the provisions of the law aforesaid as dishonest, yet not being able to discriminate the merits of the numerous cases, our confidence is impaired as to the trust-worthiness of those who have availed themselves of the act aforesaid; therefore,

Resolved, That this General Assembly will not appoint to any office of honor or trust any person who avails himself of its benefits; which

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Whitcomb and Smith of Hancock, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blake-man, Bone, Brown of Pike, Browning, Caldwell, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Green, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of White-side, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vin-yard, Weatherford, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—68.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Douglas, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Hambaugh, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, West, Whitcomb, White, and Mr. Speaker—36.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to repeal 'An act to incorporate the city and Bank of Cairo,' approved January 9, 1816;" reported the same back with an amendment; when;

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill and amendment were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the same committee, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa,' approved July 31, 1837;" reported the same back with an amendment; when,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The bill and amendment were re-committed to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of their bill for "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

I am further directed to inform the House of Representatives, that the Senate have passed a bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act to create the county of Marquette.'"

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am also directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act concerning the sixteenth section, township one south, range five west, lying in the counties of Washington and Clinton."

In the passage of which, they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Green, from the select committee to which had been referred a bill for "An act to authorize Price H. Howell and John Hodgson, to build a mill-dam," reported the same back with amendments; which were agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Owen, from the select committee to which had been referred a petition of citizens of Hancock, on that subject, reported a bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships, in Hancock county to purchase the school lands therein;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title, when,

On motion of Messrs. Dubois and Anderson,

The bill was amended in the fifth section, by adding after the word "Randolph," "the counties of Lawrence and Wabash."

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Loy, from the select committee to which had been referred a petition of citizens of Effingham, reported a bill for "An act concerning certain sales of school lands in Effingham county;" which was read the first and second times by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Yates introduced a bill for "An act to reduce the per diem allowance of members of the General Assembly;" which was read the first and

second times by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Engrossed bill for "An act to define the boundary of Menard county," was read the third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

Referred to the committee on Counties.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were respectively read the third time and passed, viz:

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield;"

"An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named;"

"An act for the better security of State, county, and township funds," and

"An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835;" and

Bills of the following titles were read the third time by their titles and passed, viz:

"An act to incorporate the Rock River Bridge Company," and

"An act authorizing the change of a State road in Morgan county."

Ordered, That the titles of said bills be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved February 26, 1839;" was read the third time, and

On the question—"Shall said bill pass?" it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Bailhache and Cochran, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bell, Blair, Brinkley, Bryant, Collins, Compton, Court-right, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Hatch, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Langworthy, Lawler, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Mannig, Marshall, Norris, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—35.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blake-man, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Wilson, and Yates—57.

On motion of Mr. Hannaford,

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to Professor Sturtevant, of Jacksonville, on Monday evening next, to deliver a lecture on education; when

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Cushman presented the petition of citizens of Kendall county, praying the passage of a law providing that Kendall county may elect one Representative, and with other counties, a Senator; which was read, and referred to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Vance presented the petition of citizens of Schuyler county, praying a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Woodworth presented the petition of the Illinois and Rock River Railroad Company; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act concerning the mortgage of personal property," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, in the nature of a substitute.

The further consideration of the subject was suspended for the purpose of considering the special orders of the day; when,

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase school lands therein," was taken up; when

The 5th section of the bill was amended by inserting, after the word "Randolph," the words "Lawrence, Wabash, Iroquois, Christian, Edwards, McLean, and Will;" when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act to fix the times of holding circuit courts in the first judicial circuit."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

The bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," being the special order of the day, came up for consideration,

The question being on laying the amendment offered by Mr. Weatherford, to the amendment proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, on the table till the fourth of July next,

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," coming up again for consideration,

The question being on laying on the table until the fourth of July next the amendment offered by Mr. Weatherford to the amendment proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, to said bill,

Mr. Murphy demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call, were,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin, dispensed with.

Mr. Koerner moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Weatherford, to the amendment proposed by the Judiciary committee, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Hambaugh, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Hicks, Kuykendall, Menard, Weatherford, and Yates—5.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—108.

The question arising on the amendment proposed to the bill by the Judiciary committee,

Mr. Hicks asked to be excused from voting on the question; which was objected to.

The question was then agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Murphy, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Hanson, Harper, Jonas, Kendall,

Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Starr, Tackerberry, Vinyard, and Yates—30.

When the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs Browning and Nesbit, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gebble, Gregg, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Koerner, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Browning, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Harper, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vinyard, and Yates—29.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision, "An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein mentioned."

On motion of Mr. Mitchell,

The Senate bill for "An act to fix the times of holding courts in the first judicial circuit," was taken from among the orders of the day, read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Spicer, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Senate bill for "An act to amend the 'Act regulating the interest on money,' approved Feb. 28, 1833; and to amend the 'Act making provision for organizing and maintaining common schools;' approved February 26, 1841," was read the first time; when the House refused to order it to a second reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Green, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of

Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Epler, Ewing, Garrett, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—57.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed, viz:

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in the said second judicial circuit;"

"An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit of the State of Illinois."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Calvin Gould;" was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Hick,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hick, McClernand, and Lawler be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act in relation to judgments and executions;" was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize John Vanfleet to build a dam across Fox river;" was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

Senate bill for "An act authorizing counties to give a bounty on wolf scalps;" was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Loy and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—67.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Collins, Court-

right, DuLois, Glass, Green, Hanson, Jackson of McHenry, Loy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Nesbit, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stewart, West, Whitten, and Wilson—27.

When,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to the Washingtonian Temperance Society, of Springfield, on the 22d inst., for the purpose of celebrating the birth-day of Gen. George Washington.

Mr. McClernand moved that the revenue bill be made the special order of the day for Monday next; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Engrossed bill for "An act to establish and maintain common schools," was taken from the orders of the day; when, on his further motion, the bill was amended by adding the following, as an engrossed rider:

"That the trustees of schools, in all the townships in this State, shall be exempt from working on roads, paying road tax, serving on juries, or performing military duties during the time that they continue to act as trustees;" when,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The rules of the House were dispensed with, and the bill read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein; when

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 13, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Bradley presented the petition and remonstrance of citizens of Jackson county, for and against a removal of the seat of justice of said county; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Bradley, Dickinson, and Burklow be that committee.

Mr. Dubois presented the petition of citizens of Lawrence county, praying the change of the name of a town therein named; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Claims.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act concerning certain sales of school lands in Effingham county;"

"An act to authorize Price H. Howell and John Hodgson to build a mill-dam;"

"An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago, and for other purposes;"

"An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase school lands therein."

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act to create the county of Marquette, and for other purposes therein named."

Mr. Vance presented the petition of citizens of Schuyler county, praying a State road from Frederickville, in said county, to Macomb, in McDonough county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Penitentiary.

Mr. Fowler, presented the petition of citizens of Coles county, remonstrating against the division of said county in the centre, and praying the formation of a new county, by taking fourteen miles off from the south; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Also, the petition of citizens of the same county, praying that Mecom Maine be divorced from his wife Susannah Maine; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on Roads, to which was referred the bill for "An act declaring a certain road therein named a State road, from the east line of Mercer county to the town of Millersburg, in said county," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was concurred in, and the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jonas moved to dispense with the rule, and take up Senate bill for "An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to create the county of Marquette;'" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning practice in courts of law,' approved Jan. 23, 1827," reported the same back to the House with an amendment, and recommended its passage.

The amendment was then agreed to; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The consideration of the revenue bill was postponed till two o'clock, P. M., of this day.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred a bill for "An act defining the boundaries of Lake county," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was concurred in and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Jackson, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the relief of McHenry county," reported the same back to the House without amendments and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Jackson, also, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the petition of citizens of the counties of Kendall and La Salle, praying the establishment of an academy at Newark, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the Tazewell county Farmers' and Mechanics' Company," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was concurred in; when,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The bill was further amended by adding the following to the last section:

"The stockholders of this incorporation shall be liable in their private property, for all corporate debts;" when the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which had been referred petitions of citizens of the county of Woodford on that subject, reported the same back to the House, with a bill for "An act for the repeal of the 9th section of 'An act for the formation of the county of Woodford,'" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Manning, also, from the same committee, to which had been referred petitions of citizens of Morgan and Cass counties on that subject, reported a bill for "An act to extend the limits of Cass county;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when

Mr. Cloud moved the indefinite postponement of said bill.

Mr. Cloud demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Turner.

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on Mr. Cloud's motion to indefinitely postpone the bill, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Cloud and Yates, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Bailhache, Bishop, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Fowler, Green, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Owen, Scott, Tackerberry, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—36.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Horney, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Marshall, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Woodworth—65.

The question then arising on ordering the bill to be engrossed for a third reading,

Mr. Weatherford demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Okaw," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, was taken up; when the said amendments were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

Mr. Yates moved to amend the bill by striking out that portion which proposes to refer the question of adding part of the territory of the county of Morgan to the county of Cass to the vote of the inhabitants of that portion of Morgan, so proposed to be added to Cass, and insert the following:

"The county aforesaid is created upon the following conditions:

"The people of Morgan county, as the same now is, shall, at the next election to be held in said county, to be holden on the first Monday of August, A. D. 1843, shall proceed to vote in the same manner as in voting for Representatives to the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, within said county of Morgan; shall be divided in manner and form as is contemplated by the provisions of this act. The judges of election in said county shall give twenty days notice of the time and place of holding said election, and particularly specifying in said notice, that portion of Morgan county proposed to be stricken off by this act. Said notices shall be posted up at nine places in said county of Morgan, and, also, published in some newspaper published in said county; and on the said first Monday in August, the said judges shall open a poll book at each election precinct, in which they shall rule two columns, in one of which, they shall set down the votes given for the said division of said county, and in the other column, the votes given against the same, and said judges shall conduct the election and make returns to the clerk of the county commissioners' court of Morgan county, in the same manner as is now provided for by law in the case of election for Senators and Representatives to the General Assembly; and said returns shall be opened and counted in the same manner as in such elections, and if a majority of all the votes given at said election, shall be in favor of the said division of said county, a certificate thereof shall be made by the clerk of the said county commissioners' court, under the seal of said court, and transmitted by him to the Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, to be filed in his office as evidence of the division of said county, and the said clerk shall make a like certificate and file the same in his office; which shall be entered of record at the next succeeding term of the said county commissioners' court, and shall be sufficient to prove the facts therein stated. A copy of said certificate shall likewise be sent to the clerk of the county commissioners' court of Cass county, and the said clerk shall file the same in his office, and the same shall be entered of record at the next succeeding term of the county commissioners' court of Cass county, and shall be sufficient to prove the facts therein stated;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Pratt,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Cloud and Yates, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Hannaford, Hatch, Horne, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lock-

ard, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Whitten, and Wilson—61.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Cloud, Collins, Davis of Williamson, Epler, Fowler, Garrett, Green, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Scott, Stewart, Tackerberry, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—36.

When the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Cloud and Yates, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Hannaford, Hatch, Horney, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, White, Whitten, and Wilson—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Bailhache, Bishop, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Cloud, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dubois, Epler, Fowler, Green, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Owen, Scott, Stewart, Tackerberry, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—36.

When the House adjourned until 3 o'clock, P. M.

THREE O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ficklin, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend 'An act to establish circuit courts,'" reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was read, and concurred in, when the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

On motion of Mr. Adams,

The engrossed bill for "An act to improve the navigation of the rapids in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company," was taken from the orders of the day, read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

Engrossed bill for "An act for the removal of the seat of justice of

Crawford county," was taken from the orders of the day and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Wilsen, Smith of Crawford, and Anderson be that committee.

The bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839; and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839;" being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

The question being on the amendment, proposed some days since by Mr. Bone, to the first section of the bill.

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and McClernand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Court-right, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—76.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Starr, Stockton, Vandever, Vinyard, and Yates—31.

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "sheriff," in the first and fifth lines of the 11th section, and inserting "treasurer;" and, also, by adding to said section the following, to wit:

"And all collectors shall, at each term of the county commissioners' court of their respective counties, make a report of all their actings and doings, as collector and treasurer of their counties, and shall state and give account of all moneys, Auditor's warrants, or county orders, received by them, belonging either to the State or county, and shall, also, state and give account of all moneys paid out since the last session of the court; and it shall be the duty of the respective county commissioners' courts to examine and audit all said accounts, count and examine all moneys, warrants, orders, or other vouchers, in the hands of the treasurer and collector, and shall cause a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the county to be published in at least one newspaper of the county, should there be one published therein, otherwise, a written statement thereof shall be stuck up in the office of the clerk of the county commissioners' court, and a similar notice some public place in each place of voting in the county, and should said collector and treasurer fail to make such report as is required above, he shall be subject to such fine not exceeding one hundred dollars for each failure, to be recovered by action of debt, before any justice of the peace of the county, in the name, and in behalf

of the people of the county, and the amount, when collected, shall be paid into the county treasury."

Mr. Dickinson moved to lay the amendment on the table; which was not agreed to; when

The question recurring on the amendment, it was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved to amend the bill by striking out all after enacting clause, and inserting the following:

"That the words 'the bills or notes of the State Bank of Illinois and branches, notes of the Bank of the State of Illinois, of the Bank of Illinois,' in section nineteen, in 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839, are hereby repealed, and the words 'twenty cents,' in section fifteen, in the aforesaid act, shall read 'fifteen cents,' and the third section of 'An act to provide for the payment of interest on the public debt,' approved Feb. 27, 1841, is hereby repealed. This act shall be in force from and after its passage;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "for such fraud or neglect," in the seventh line of the 8th section, and inserting as follows:

"For furnishing an incorrect or fraudulent list, or for refusing when called upon to furnish a list."

Mr. McClernand moved a call of the House. Pending the call of the House,

Mr. Koerner moved that the report, made some days since by the joint select committee appointed to enquire into the affairs of the present and late Fund Commissioner and agent, be taken up and referred to the committee on the Judiciary, with the following instructions, viz:

"1st. To enquire concerning the authority of said late Fund Commissioner to let one Mr. Sherwood have fifty internal improvement bonds of one thousand dollars each, on the security of fifty thousand dollars in notes on the Gallipolis Bank, and a certificate of deposit of the Bank of Millington, for fifty thousand dollars, and concerning his liability to indemnify the State for the loss sustained by the utter insolvency of both said banks.

"2d. Concerning the authority of said Barret to offer to said Sherwood to receive State scrip in lieu of said bonds.

"3d. Concerning the authority of said Barret to contract for the transportation of a greater quantity of railroad iron from New Orleans to Illinois, than had been received in New Orleans, and to pay for said contract in advance.

"4th. Concerning the authority the said Barret had to contract with the House of Blaine, Tompkins and Barret, in St. Louis, that in case they would not have to transport all the railroad iron, as per contract, they should refund to the State, for the number of tons of iron not delivered, either cash, scrip, or State indebtedness.

"5th. Concerning the authority of James W. Barret, agent of said Fund Commissioner, to convert the Louisiana funds, recovered by him from the Ocean Insurance Company for insurance, into New York funds, and then into State paper; and the liabilities of said Commissioner or agent, or both, to pay to the State the amount of said insurance, being about \$18,000 in specie, or specie funds.

"6th. Concerning the propriety of paying to said agent, Jas. Barret, \$11,248 96, out of the insurance money for freight, after the Fund Commissioner had had in advance \$50,000 for the freight of all the iron, and concerning the total omission of said Fund Commissioner to account for what should have been refunded to the State, by reason of only part of said iron having been transported by Blaine, Tompkins, & Co." which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question arising on Mr. Browning's amendment, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and McClermand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blake-man, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Mitchell, Owen, Pickering, Spicer, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vandever, Whitcomb, White, and Yates—47.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Sharp, Simms, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—56.

When the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of citizens of the counties of Greene, Morgan, and Macoupin, praying the formation of a new county out of parts of said counties; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hanson presented the petition of citizens of Coles county, in favor of a central division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Miller presented the petition of 289 citizens of Fulton and Warren counties, praying a State road from Lewistown, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Miller also presented the petition of citizens of this State, praying the repeal of the fourth and fifth sections of "An act concerning marriage," in force June 1, 1827; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Referred to a select committee of five.

Ordered, That Messrs. Arnold, Miller, Hatch, Adams, and Pickering be that committee.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act granting to the city of Quincy the right of way upon that portion of the Northern Cross Railroad lying within its limits," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Arnold, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act in relation to the Supreme Court," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Logan, from the same committee, to which was referred a resolution of inquiry into the expediency of amending the law in relation to docket fees, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to return to this House a bill having for its object the reduction of interest on money loaned, which was passed by the Senate and refused to a second reading by the House on Saturday last.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the relief of R. J. Hamilton, late clerk of the Cook circuit court," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill, as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Picklin, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Philosophian Society of McKendree College," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection, when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Hicks, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of David Newson, of Sangamon county, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Koerner, from the same committee, to which was referred a resolution on that subject, reported a bill for "An act to amend 'An act for the relief of insolvent debtors,' approved January 12, 1829;" which was read the first time, and the second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Koerner, from the same committee, reported a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia, to lease part of the commons appertaining to the village of Cahokia;'" which was read the first time and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Koerner, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize James Hunt to sell certain lands contained herein," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Norris, from the select committee to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act regulating mill-dams in Vermilion county," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill as amended

Ordered to a third reading.

Mr. Hicks, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to which had been referred a Senate resolution providing for the payment to John Duff & Co. a one thousand dollar State bond, in full discharge of their contract for the completion of the Meredosia and Springfield Railroad, reported the same back, and recommended its passage; which was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Hinton, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Du Page and Kane counties, praying the adoption of measures to prevent trespass upon lands owned by the State, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Flanders, from the committee on Salines, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Jackson county, praying for the sale of the salines and saline lands in said county, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Flanders, from the same committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act to enable the trustees of a township therein named to obtain an equivalent for the sixteenth section of said township," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection, when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Aldrich, from the committee on the Penitentiary, to which was referred petitions of citizens of Schuyler county, and also a bill for "An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county," reported the same back to the House, and recommended the passage of the bill; when,

On motion of Mr. Horney,

The petitions and bill were referred to the committee on State Roads.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee to which was referred a resolution requiring said committee to propose an economical plan for obtaining information to aid a future geological survey of this State, made a report at length on the subject, together with inquiries upon various subjects relative thereto; which were, on his motion, without reading, laid on the table, and ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Anderson, from the same committee, also reported a bill for "An act to authorize and direct the Secretary of State to receive and preserve geological specimens, and for other purposes;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred a bill for "An act to reduce the State debt," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; and also, certain communications between the Governor and President of the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown, and the Governor and Auditor with the chairman of the committee on Finance; which were read; when the amendments proposed by the committee to said bill were read.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Resolved, That the bill just read be laid on the table, and that the Public Printer be requested to print 300 copies of the same for the use of the House as soon as possible.

Mr. Dubois moved that the consideration of the "revenue bill," the special order of the day, be postponed till 2 o'clock, P. M.; which was agreed to.

Mr. Arnold, on leave, moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be tendered to Professor Sturtevant, this evening, for the purpose of delivering a lecture on the subject of common schools; which was agreed to.

Mr. Woodworth, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the petition of Mary Swanson, reported a bill for "An act for the relief of the person therein named;" which was read the first time and the second time by its title; when

The House refused to order the bill to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Lawler, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Collins, Courtright, Dubois, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—33.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Koerner, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Simms, Spicer, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Yates—70.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: By an order of the Senate, I am directed herewith to return to the House of Representatives Senate bill for "An act to amend the 'Act regulating the interest on money,' approved February 28, 1833, and to amend the 'Act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,' approved February 26, 1841."

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to incorporate the Lamoille Agricultural and Mechanical Association," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the same committee, to which had been referred a petition of citizens of Bureau county, praying for "An act for an incorporation for Agricultural and Mechanical purposes," reported the same back, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Green, from the committee on Claims, to which had been referred the petitions of William Porter and Benjamin Kellogg, reported the same back, was discharged from their further consideration, and were referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

Mr. Green, from the committee on Claims, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to change the name of a town, and for other purposes," and a bill for "An act for the relief of the school commissioner of Pope county;" the latter the committee recommended to be rejected, but both were

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to which had been referred a bill for "An act for the benefit of Stephenson county," reported the same back, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to which had been referred the petition of Joseph C. Harrison, reported a bill for "An act to compensate Joseph C. Harrison for the apprehension of Thomas Johnson, a fugitive from justice;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Green, from the same committee, to which had been referred the petition of James Cheak and others, reported the same back, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Spicer, from the committee on Public Grounds and Buildings, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice, and for other purposes," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that it be engrossed.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on State Roads, to which had been referred a petition of sundry citizens of Warren and Henderson counties, praying for a road therein named, reported the same back, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills, as correctly engrossed:

"An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;"

"An act defining the boundary of Lake county;"

"An act to repeal the ninth section of 'An act for the formation of the county of Woodford;'"

"An act declaring a certain road therein named a State road, and for locating a State road from the east line of Mercer county to the town of Millersburg, in said county."

Mr. Vandever, from the select committee to which had been referred a bill for "An act to repeal certain sections of 'An act therein named,'" reported the same back, and recommended its passage; when, on his motion, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Wilson, from the select committee to which had been referred engrossed bill for "An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford," reported the same back with an amendment, as a substitute; which was agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a petition upon that subject, reported a bill for "An act to authorize Alfred Brown, Woster Ives, and their associates, of Whiteside county, to alter or change the channel of Rock creek;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred petitions of citizens of the counties of Kendall and La Salle, upon that subject, reported a bill for "An act making an addition to the county of Kendall;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Woodworth, Bibbens, and Ames be that committee.

Mr. Jonas, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Adams county, and a bill for "An act to incorporate the Adams County Agriculturalist Exporting and Manufacturing Company," reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject; which was granted.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Engrossed bill for "An act to authorize Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect taxes," was taken from the orders of the day, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Logan, Dougherty, and Ficklin be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Resolved, That the committee on Finance, to whom was referred the report of the Auditor of Public Accounts, on the subject of defaulting revenue collectors, for the years 1839, 1840, and 1841, be requested to report to this House the best plan to be adopted to secure the speedy collection and settlement of the same; when

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Tackerberry,

Resolved, That Thomas J. Pickett, editor of the Illinois Palladium, be permitted to take a seat within the bar of the House, for the purpose of reporting the proceedings for publication.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of their bill for "An act in relation to the revenue of 1842," with an amendment.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and 'An act supplemental

to said act, approved March 1, 1839," being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

Mr. Dollins moved to amend the bill by striking out "thirty," in the third line of the twentieth section, and inserting "forty;" which was agreed to.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the twentieth section of the bill by adding "which tax shall be collected in gold and silver coin, in county orders, issued by the county, in jury certificates, and in nothing else."

Mr. Ervin moved to amend the amendment by adding the following:

"*Provided*, that in all cases, the county commissioners' courts of the several counties in this State may, by an order to be entered upon the record of their courts, annually authorize the reception of such funds for county tax, as they may deem proper and safe, any law of this State to the contrary notwithstanding;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Vance,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Ervin, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Canady, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vandever, Vinyard, West, and Yates—46.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. McClernand, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ervin and Menard, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—68.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Stockton, Vandever, Vinyard, West, and Yates—42.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "twenty," in the third line of the first section, and insert the word "fifteen;" which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Davis of Bond, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Green, Hanson, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Loy, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Vinyard, West, White, and Yates—34.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Flanders, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—70.

Further action on this bill was for the present suspended; when,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

Senate bill for "An act in relation to the revenue of 1842," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, was taken from the orders of the day, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Hicks moved to re-consider the vote given by the House on Saturday last, on refusing to order to a second reading, the Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating the interest on money,' approved February 28, 1839, and to amend the 'Act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,' approved February 26, 1841," which was agreed to; when

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Collins presented the remonstrance of citizens of Will county, against the creation of the county of Waupousee; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ficklin presented the petition of citizens of Coles county, praying a crop of fourteen miles off of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Bryant presented the petition of sundry citizens of Stark county, praying that a portion of Henry county may be added thereto; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

On motion of Mr. Starr,

Leave was granted him to withdraw the petition of sundry citizens of Adams county, praying for the incorporation of an Agricultural Exporting and Manufacturing Company in said county.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Hancock,

Leave was granted him to withdraw the petition of Matthias McW. Bovee, praying a divorce from his wife.

Mr. Fowler presented a remonstrance of many citizens of Coles county, against a central division of said county, and praying for the formation of a new county on the south side of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Hicks, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of White and Gallatin counties, praying for a reduction of rent on a certain mill owned by the State, reported a bill for "An act for the relief of John Wood;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title; when,

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

The bill was amended by adding the following section, viz:

"SEC. 2. That the Fund Commissioner, or whoever else may be authorized to receive the same, is hereby required to receive from Reuben Emerson, lessee of the mills and water power owned by the State at Carmi, upon the little Wabash river, the rents now due, or which may hereafter become due from said lessee, in State bonds or internal improvement scrip, at their face, without interest."

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Bradley, from the select committee to which was referred a petition for and a remonstrance against the removal of the county seat of Jackson; and also, a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named," reported an amendment as a substitute; which was agreed to, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Dubois, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act explanatory of the meaning of the term "ordinary times," reported the same back with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to repeal the charter of the Wiggins ferry," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when, on his motion, it was laid on the table.

Mr. Ficklin, from the same committee, to which had been referred a bill for "An act to abolish the office of the county recorder and for other purposes," reported the same back, and recommended its rejection; when,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Cochran, from the select committee to which had been referred a resolution of enquiry into the expediency of reducing the fees of county officers, reported a bill for "An act to amend the several acts concerning the fees and compensation of the officers therein named;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

Referred to the committee of the whole House, and made the special order of the day for Friday next.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to incorporate the Tazewell County Farmers' and Mechanics' Company;"

"An act for the relief of McHenry county," and

"An act to extend the limits of Cass county."

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The consideration of the "revenue bill," the special order of the day, was postponed until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Fulton county, praying a change in the revenue law of 1838-9, in relation to mortgages, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Ficklin, from the same committee to which was referred the bill for an act entitled "An act explanatory of the act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property under judgments and executions,' approved January 6, 1843," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

"SEC. 3. So much of the act to which this is a supplement as requires property to be valued according to its value in ordinary times, is hereby repealed, and the appraisal shall be made in all cases according to the fair and reasonable value of such property."

Mr. Logan moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Nesbit and Blake-man, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bishop, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Court-right, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Law-ler, Lockard, Logan, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Wilson—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blake-man, Browning, Burklow, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dick-inson, Ervin, Garrett, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Hor-ney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lang-worthy, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mannig, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pick-ering, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Mr. Nesbit moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table.

Mr. Lawler demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on laying the amendment proposed by Mr. Arnold on the table, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—39.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—69.

Mr. Dubois moved the indefinite postponement of the bill and proposed amendment.

Mr. Ewing demanded the previous question; which was sustained.

Mr. Dubois moved that the House re-consider its vote on entertaining the previous question; which was agreed to.

The question recurring on Mr. Dubois' motion to indefinitely postpone the whole subject, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Ewing, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Turner, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Graves, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—56.

Mr. Brinkley moved to refer the bill and proposed amendment to a select committee of five.

Mr. Jonas moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Arnold, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Douglas and Dubois, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Green, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—44.

Mr. Kuykendall demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question arising on ordering the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Kuykendall, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Sharp, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—56.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Owen, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—52.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit of the State of Illinois."

They have also concurred with the House in their amendment to a bill for "An act to repeal the laws incorporating the town of Chester."

They have concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit," as amended by them.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have passed a bill for "An act authorizing Vermilion and Iroquois counties to sell certain lands, and make certain payments to Champaign county, and for other purposes."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Howard, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize the sheriff of Shelby county to sell non-resident lands for 1841," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Starr, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act in relation to the county of Adams," reported the same back with an amendment; which was concurred in; when,

The rule of the House being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839; and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839;" being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

Mr. Dubois moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "shall," in the first line of the 5th section, and inserting the word "may;" which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The 5th section was further amended by inserting, in the eighth line, between the words "in" and "companies, the words "toll bridges."

Mr. Dollins moved to amend the 1st section of the bill by adding the following proviso:

"*Provided, however*, that an act entitled 'An act to provide for the payment of interest on the public debt,' approved Feb. 27, 1841, be and the same is hereby suspended."

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the proposed amendment by adding "for the years 1842 and 1843;" when

The House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ames presented the petition of 210 citizens of the counties of Lee, De Kalb, and La Salle, praying for a new county out of parts of said counties; which, without reading, was referred to the same select committee to which had been referred a petition for attaching part of La Salle county to the county of Kendall.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the petition of citizens of Woodford county, praying the appointment of commissioners for locating the county seat of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Gregg presented the remonstrance of inhabitants of township thirty-five north, range ten east, in Will county, against the passage of any law diverting the common school funds of said township from the support of common schools; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Ervin presented the remonstrance of 134 citizens of Middletown precinct, in McDonough county, against authorizing the election of an additional justice of the peace and constable for said precinct; which was read, and on his motion, laid on the table.

Mr. Collins presented the petition of citizens of township thirty-five north, range nine east, in Will county, asking for an incorporation of primary schools in said town; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Education.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House the petition of citizens of Lee county, requesting a charter for the building of a bridge across Rock river at Dixon; which, without reading, was

On motion of Mr. Miller,

Referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the petition of J. N. Piggott of Jersey county, guardian of minor heirs, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the relief of John Hodges, William Clapp, and others, securities of Jesse J. McLenden, former collector of Alexander county, reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Logan, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act in relation to the revenue of 1842," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, reported the same back to the House, and recommended that the House concur with the Senate in their amendments to the bill.

Mr. Courtright moved to amend the Senate's amendment, by inserting after the word "coin," in the fourth line of the second section, "Auditor's warrants and wolf scalp certificates heretofore paid," and by adding to the section, as follows: "and if the same shall not be refunded to any such person or persons, it shall be allowed and deducted from his or their State tax for the year 1843."

Mr. Kuykendall moved to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. Courtright on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Collins and Courtright, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—74.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Harper, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Nesbit, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Stewart, West, Whitcomb, White, Wilson, and Woodworth—29.

Mr. Logan moved to amend Senate's amendment, by striking out of the fifth section the words "gold and silver coin," and by inserting after the words "county orders," the words "or in such funds as they may deem proper."

Mr. Ewing moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and Dubois, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Vinyard, West, White, and Yates—47.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Cloud, Collins, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—61.

The question arising on the Senate's amendment to the bill, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Lawler, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Graves, Green, Hambaugh, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, West, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—50.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bill as correctly engrossed, to wit:

“An act in relation to the county seat of Jackson county.”

Mr. Dennis, from the same committee, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act in relation to the Supreme Court.”

“An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice, and for other purposes;”

“An act granting to the city of Quincy the right of way upon that portion of the Northern Cross Railroad lying within its limits;”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia, to lease part of the common appertaining to the village of Cahokia;’”

And the following bill as correctly enrolled, “An act for the formation of the county of Moultrie.”

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for “An act to authorize the county commissioners of Rock Island county to build a free bridge across Rock river.”

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, reported for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved by the House, That the Auditor of Public Accounts be requested to report to the House, as early as may be, upon the subject of the domestic finances of the State. The sufficiency of the revenue for the years 1842 and 1843 to meet the ordinary expenditures of the said years, and the practicability of adopting a plan to relieve the treasury from its embarrassments, and to maintain the value of Auditor's warrants at par, and the practicability of making an arrangement to repay the moneys advanced by Messrs. Macalister and Stebbins to the Fund Commissioners,

and to take up the bonds and other liabilities of the State received by the said firm from the Fund Commissioner; which was adopted.

Mr. McClernand, from the same committee, to which was referred a joint resolution, offered some days since by Mr. Horney, concerning the public revenue for the year 1842, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The bill for "An act in relation to the county seat of Jackson county," was taken from the orders of the day, read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

The consideration of the "revenue bill," the special order of the day, was postponed until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred joint resolutions relative to the election of certain State's Attorneys, the bounty on wolf scalps, and on the culture of silk, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from their further consideration.

Mr. Koerner moved to dispense with the rule and take up a bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;" which was not agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles:

"An act for the relief of the estate of John Wright, deceased," and

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for transcribing certain records therein named,' approved February 12, 1835."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Hannaford, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a bill for "An to distribute the school fund of the several counties in this State," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection.

Mr. Fowler, from the minority of said committee, made a report in favor of the passage of said bill; which was read.

Mr. Norris moved to amend the bill by striking out all between the word "money," in the seventh line, and the word "sum," in the twelfth line of the eighth section, and inserting the following: "to be distributed to each several township according to the number of white population in such township, under twenty years of age, as appears from the enumeration of the trustees next preceding such distribution."

"**SEC. 9.** Whereupon, it shall be the duty of the trustees of each township in said county to draw an order on said school commissioners, in favor of the township treasurer; which order shall designate the number and range of such township, and be signed by a majority of said trustees. And it shall be the duty of the school commissioner to pay to the treasurer on such order, the distributive share due to such township, and take a receipt for the payment of the same. And the sum so received and receipted for by the treasurer, shall be added to and forever remain a part of the school fund of such township, and be loaned as other money of the township."

"All money coming into the hands of any school commissioner under the provisions of this act, where all the townships in such county are not organised under the school law, he shall loan the same in."

Mr. Brown of Pike moved to refer the bill to the committee on the Judiciary, with instructions to amend the same so as to embrace an equitable plan of distribution;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Hannaford, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act entitled 'An act to distribute the school, college, and seminary fund among the several counties of this State,'" reported the same back to the House; when

Mr. Stewart moved that it be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was agreed to.

Mr. Hannaford, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to exempt the property of colleges and common schools from taxation for a limited time," reported the same back with an amendment, in the nature of a substitute; which was agreed to.

When the bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Wilson and Yates, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—82.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Bradley, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Hambaugh, Hicks, Loy, McMillan, Nesbit, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, Vance, and Wilson—20.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have passed bills of the following titles:

"An act to prevent cities and towns from issuing warrants to circulate as money;"

"An act to authorize John M. Robinson and others to establish a ferry, and for other purposes;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Wayne county, to transfer a certain lot of ground therein named;"

"An act providing for the making of an index to the records of Cook county;"

"An act authorizing Charles G. Eldredge to keep a ferry across the Mississippi river;"

"An act to enable Smith Turner, of Mason county, to establish a ferry across the Sangamon river;"

"An act for the relief of Abram J. Vandegrift and others;"

"An act to locate a State road therein named," and

"An act in relation to public roads in the county of Washington."

In the passage of which said bills they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Logan, from the select committee to which had been referred an engrossed bill for "An act to authorize Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes," reported the same back with an amendment, which was agreed to; when the bill was read the third time by the title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein; when,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dennis, from the select committee to which was referred a petition for a State road, reported a bill for "An act to locate a State road from Wm. Brown's jr., in St. Clair county, to Nashville, in Washington county;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to attach part of Tazewell county to the county of Woodford," reported the same back to the House with amendments, which were concurred in, when,

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were read the third time and passed:

"An act to locate a State road therein named;"

'An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors,' and defining their qualifications and duties;"

"An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the line of the Illinois and Michigan Canal;"

"An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois."

The following bills were read the third time by their titles and passed:

'An act to authorize the building of a bridge over the Pekatonica river, in Stephenson county;"

"An act to change the name of the town of Georgetown, in Kendall county;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river, at Rockford;"

"An act to attach part of the county of La Salle to the county of Marshall."

"A bill to define the line between McLean and Woodford counties;"

"An act to authorize John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith, and Charles McClure, to build a dam across Fox river;"

"An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county;"

Ordered, That the titles of the bills be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following as correctly engrossed.

"An act to change the name of a town, and for other purposes;"

"An act for the relief of the school commissioner of Pope county;"

"An act to incorporate the Lamoille Agricultural and Mechanical Association;"

"An act to amend 'An act for the relief of insolvent debtors,' approved January 12, 1829;"

"A bill to compensate Joseph C. Harrison for the apprehension of Thomas Johnson, a fugitive from justice;"

"An act to authorize Alfred Brown, Woster Ives, and their associates, of Whiteside county, to alter or change the channel of Rock creek;"

"An act to authorize the sheriff of Shelby county to sell non-resident lands for taxes due for 1841;"

"An act to authorize and direct the Secretary of State to receive and preserve geological specimens, and for other purposes;"

"An act to amend 'An act to establish circuit courts.'"

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved a bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Moultrie."

Engrossed bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts," coming up for consideration, it was,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Referred to a select committee of nine, composed of one from each judicial circuit, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Nesbit, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard,

Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vinyard, and Yates—39.

Ordered, That Messrs. Koerner, McClernand, Wheat, Whitcomb, Hannaford, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Weatherford, Vandevcer, and Wilson be that committee.

Mr. Weatherford asked and obtained leave of absence for Messrs. Cloud and Gobble.

Engrossed bill for "An act to authorize the canal commissioners to pay the back per centage on section 187," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bill for "An act authorizing Wm. Kinney to pay his indebtedness to the State in State bonds or scrip," was read the third time; when

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "six," before the word "months," and inserting "twelve;" which was agreed to.

The bill was then passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Cochran, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandevcer, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—81.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Douglas, Hinton, Horney, Kuykendall, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Simms, West, and White—15.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bills of the following titles, were severally read the third time by their titles and passed, viz:

"An act to create the county of Milton;"

"An act authorizing the building of a bridge across Rock river;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river;"

"An act for the relief of Richard Dougherty, of Schuyler county;"

"An act providing a voluntary mode of registering births and deaths;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;"

"An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island;"

"An act concerning certain sales of school lands in Effingham county;"

"An act to authorize Price H. Howell and John Hodgson to build a mill-dam;"

"An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago and for other purposes."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein;

Engrossed bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Lonergan," was read the the third time; when

Mr. Arnold moved to refer the bill to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, with instructions to report, if they deem it expedient, a general law, providing for all cases of a similar character.

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the motion of reference on the table; which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on Mr. Arnold's motion to refer, it was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Engrossed bill for "An act explanatory of the meaning of the term or words "ordinary times," was taken up and read; when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

It was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Wilson and Brinkley, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Edwards, Epler, Fowler, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Green, Hanson, Hicks, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, and White—44.

Engrossed bill of the following title was read the third time by its title and passed:

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named."

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the joint select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Fund Commissioners, &c., made a report with reference to certain moneys in the hands of the present Fund Commissioner; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Simms,

Laid on the table.

The following engrossed bills were severally read the third time by their titles and passed, to wit:

"An act to regulate the fees of clerks of circuit courts in case of naturalization of foreigners;"

"An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, justice of the peace of De Witt county;"

"An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone and James W. Noble;"

"An act for the relief of the late collector of Du Page county;"

"An act to authorize Jno. T. Davis and his associates to build a mill on Saline creek, in Williamson county;"

"An act to amend 'An act concerning a town plat therein named,' approved Feb. 17, 1841;"

"An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county;"

"An act making a partial change of the appropriation of the saline lands to the counties of Clay and Richland;"

"An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county;"

"An act for the relief of the collector of Pope county;"

"An act for the relief of McHenry county;"

"An act to incorporate the Tazewell county Farmers' and Mechanics' Company;"

"An act to repeal the ninth section of 'An act for the formation of the county of Woodford;'"

"An act declaring a certain road therein named a State road, and for locating a State road from the east line of Mercer county to the town of Millersburg, in said county;"

"An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase the lands therein, and for other purposes;"

"An act fixing the times of holding the courts in the eighth judicial circuit;"

"An act to incorporate the town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes."

The following bills were read the third time and passed:

"An act in relation to the Supreme Court;"

"An act in relation to the premium upon wolf scalps."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Engrossed bill for "An act defining the boundaries of Lake county," was read the third time by its title and passed; when,

On motion of Mr. Jackson of McHenry,

The title was amended by striking out the word "Lake," and inserting the word "McHenry."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That all moneys in the hands of the Fund Commissioner, John D. Whiteside; also, in the hands of James Barrett, late agent of the Fund Commissioner, be forthwith paid into the State Treasury, and that the same be receipted for by the proper officer.

Engrossed bill for "An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice, and for other purposes," was read the third time; when,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

It was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Engrossed bills for "An act granting to the city of Quincy the right of way upon that portion of the Northern Cross Railroad lying within its limits;"

"An act to change the name of a town, and for other purposes," and

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia to lease part of the common appertaining to the village of Cahokia,'" were severally read the third time by their titles and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein,

Senate bills of the following titles were read the third time and passed, viz:

"An act for the relief of Wm. M. Bell;"

"An act to fix the tenure of certain officers."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to confine justices of the peace to their respective districts," was read the third time; when,

Mr. Norris demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with; when

The bill was passed, as amended by the House, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Glass and Blakeman, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitton, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—69.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Blakeman, Browning, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Harper, Hatch, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Penn, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Whitcomb, and White—28.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Mr. Stewart, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act regulating election precincts in the city of Chicago," reported the same back to the House with amendments; which were concurred in; when

The bill was read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed, viz:

“An act to legalize the survey of the town of Mount Vernon;”

“An act to vacate a State road therein named,” and

“An act to change the name of the town of Florence, in Ogle county, to that of Oregon.”

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act concerning the public revenue,’” as amended by the House, was read the third time; when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The amendment was amended by striking out of the 1st section, the words “twenty-five,” and inserting the word “fifty;” when,

The bill, as amended, passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, the following bills, to wit:

“An act for the relief of John Wood;”

“An act explanatory of the meaning of the term or words “ordinary times;”

“An act in relation to clerks of circuit courts;”

“An act explanatory of the act entitled ‘An act regulating the sale of property under judgment and execution,’ approved Jan. 6, 1843;” when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Caldwell presented the petition and remonstrance of citizens of Sangamon county, for and against attaching part of said county to the county of Menard; which, without reading, were referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry presented the petition of Catherine Everett, praying a divorce; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Indefinitely postponed.

Senate bill for “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act relative to criminal jurisprudence,’ approved Feb. 26, 1833,” was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for “An act appropriating the ten per cent, fund to the purpose of education,” was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first time, and the second time by their titles, and

Ordered to a third reading.

"An act concerning corporations;"

"An act to correct the record of the plat of the town of Charlestown, Peoria county, and to change the name thereof;"

"An act to extend the limits of Bond County."

Senate bill for "An act requiring officers to issue and execute process," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The bill for "An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middletown precinct, in McDonough county," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, coming up for consideration,

Mr. Owen moved to refer the bill and amendment, and a remonstrance of citizens of said precinct against the passage of said bill, to the committee on Elections.

Mr. Ervin moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table; which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on Mr. Owen's motion to refer, it was agreed to.

The bill for "An act in relation to the poor house in Jersey county," together with the Senate's amendment thereto, was taken up, the amendments read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act for the relief of the Shilo Meeting house tract," was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The bill for "An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, coming up for consideration, the amendments were read; when

Mr. Collins moved to refer the bill and amendments to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures; which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The bill and amendments were referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Nesbit, Bailhache, and Arnold be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to enable Henry Wigginton to establish a ferry on the Illinois river." was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and

Ordered to a third reading.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in its amendments to a bill for "An act to attach part of Tazewell county to the county of Woodford."

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of real estate,' approved Jan. 23, 1829," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, was taken up; when

The amendments of the Senate were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to increase the per diem pay allowance of grand and petit jurors, and to allow them mileage," was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when

Mr. Thompson moved to amend the bill by striking out of the 1st section all after the word "jurors," in the 8th line, and by striking out the 2d section.

Mr. Cochran moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question recurring on the amendment proposed by Mr. Thompson, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Starne and Kuydendall, as follows.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Green, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Thompson, Vandeveer, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—65.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bryant, Canady, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Edwards, Ervin, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, and Mr. Speaker—47.

When the bill, as amended, was

Ordered to a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Starne and Turner, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are;

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Burklow, Canady, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Glass, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—79.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bishop, Brinkley, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Green, Hanson, Hatch,

Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Logan, Madden, Marshall, Mitchell, Pickering, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Vandever, Weatherford, Wilson, and Yates—36.

The preamble and resolutions of the House against the repudiation by the State of Illinois of its public debt, together with the Senate's amendment thereto, came up for consideration; when the amendment was concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The memorial from the Senate to the Congress of the United States, relative to the improvement of the western waters, came up for consideration; when

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend the memorial by striking out the word "St. Louis," and inserting the word "Alton;" which was agreed to; when the memorial as amended was adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river," together with the Senate's amendment thereto, came up for consideration; when the amendment was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act providing for the binding of the laws and journals,' approved January 31, 1840;" was read the first time and the second time by its title, and

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Referred to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures.

The Senate's amendments to the following bills were read and concurred in:

"An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs and others," and

"An act to alter the provisions of 'An act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,' approved February 26, 1841."

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to vacate the town of Rock Island city," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the city of Peoria," was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Senate bill for "An act granting a ferry to William Smith and Vincent C. Smith," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. McDonald of Jo Daviess, Graves, and Bryant be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act concerning the revenue," was read the first and second times.

Mr. Horney moved to amend the first section of the bill by striking out the word "fifty," and inserting "forty-four;" when,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill and proposed amendment were referred to the committee on Finance.

Senate bill for "An act to relieve the Mount Vernon Academy," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Education.

Senate bill for "An act to change the name of the town of St. Marion, in Ogle county, to that of Buffalo," and

"An act to locate a certain road therein named," were read the first and second times by their titles, and read the third time, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Koerner moved to take from the orders of the day, for consideration, the bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;" which was not agreed to; when

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Smith of Hancock moved that the special order of the day be postponed until to-morrow; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Smith of Hancock, on leave, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to establish a justice's district in Hancock county," reported the same back to the House with an amendment as a substitute; which was concurred in, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Logan, on leave, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Mather, Samuel H. Treat, and others," reported the same back to the House with an amendment; which was concurred in, and the bill

Ordered to be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The House resolved itself into committee of the whole House, on the bill for "An act to amend the several acts concerning the fees and the compensation of the officers therein named;" Mr. Browning in the chair, and after some time spent therein, the committee rose, reported that they had had the subject under consideration, and asked to be discharged from the further consideration of the said subject; which was granted.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in their amendments to a bill for "An act to incorporate the Peoria Water Company."

The Senate have also adopted the accompanying preamble and resolution, authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish the Rev. J. M. Peck, with one copy of each of the volumes of "State Papers," on the "public lands."

In the adoption of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The committee of the whole House was discharged from further consideration of the bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844;" the bill then came up for consideration.

Mr. Dollins moved to fix the contingent fund at the sum of \$6,000.

Mr. Simms moved \$8,000; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The second section was amended by filling the blank in relation to the salary of the Governor, with the words "four thousand."

On motion of Mr. Horney,

The Auditor's salary was fixed at the sum of "three thousand dollars," and the salary of the State Treasurer fixed at the sum of "two thousand dollars."

Mr. Nesbit moved to fix the salary of the Secretary of State at "two thousand five hundred dollars;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dollins moved to fix his salary at "two thousand dollars;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Brown of Pike moved to fix the salary of the Attorney General at "fourteen hundred dollars;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Weatherford, at the sum of "twelve hundred dollars;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Miller moved to fix it at the sum of "one thousand dollars;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Horney moved to fix the salary of State's Attorneys at the sum of "seven hundred dollars;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Weatherford moved five hundred dollars.

Mr. Vandever, four hundred dollars.

Mr. Blair, three hundred dollars.

Mr. Lawler, six hundred dollars; which last motion was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Blair, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dubois, Epler, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Hickman, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Lawler, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Green, Hambaugh, Hanson, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Loy, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, West, Whitcomb, White, and Whitten—50.

On motion of Mr. Vandever,

The fees of the Clerk of the Council of Revision, was fixed at the sum of two dollars per day.

Mr. Weatherford moved to fix the per diem allowance of the members of the Legislature at the sum of three dollars.

Mr. Hicks moved four dollars.

Mr. Howard, two dollars.

Mr. Horney moved for adoption the following amendment:

"That each member shall be allowed to vote his own pay, not exceeding four dollars per day; except the Speaker, who shall be allowed to vote any sum not exceeding six dollars per day;" which was,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Hicks and Brown of Sangamon, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hambaugh, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—61.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Collins, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Ervin, Gregg, Green, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Penn, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, and Woodworth—47.

Mr. Vandever moved the following amendment to the bill:

"That in no case hereafter, shall any member of the Legislature be allowed or paid out of the State Treasury any compensation for their services as such; but in all cases hereafter the county commissioners' court of the several counties, shall allow and pay out of their respective county treasuries, such reasonable compensation to their Senators and Representatives in the General Assembly, as they may deem right and proper."

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend the proposed amendment as follows:

"*Provided*, that this act shall apply to the county of Christian, and no other;" when,

On motion of Mr. Lockard,

The proposed amendment and amendment to the amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. Turner demanded a call of the House, after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call of the House were, on motion of Mr. Vandever, dispensed with.

The question arising on fixing the per diem allowance at four dollars; it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Turner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford,

Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Menard, Murphy, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Green, Hanson, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Yates—56.

Mr. Kendall moved to amend Mr. Weatherford's proposition, so as to have it read "three dollars per day, in specie or its equivalent; provided that the same shall not exceed four dollars per day in Auditor's warrants."

Mr. Thompson moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to.

The question arising on fixing the per diem allowance at three dollars, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Epler and Blair, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Lawler, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Weatherford, Wheat, White, and Wilson—42.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bibbens, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—67.

Mr. Green moved that the House re-consider its vote given on refusing to fix the per diem allowance of members at four dollars; which was sustained.

The question recurring on fixing the per diem allowance of members of the General Assembly at four dollars; it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blakeman and Hicks, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of Mc-

Henry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—56.

Those who voted in the negative are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Green, Hanson, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Yates—53.

When the House adjourned.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Kuykendall moved that the House re-consider the vote given on yesterday, on passing the Senate bill for "An act to increase the per diem allowance of grand and petit jurors, and to allow them mileage;" which was sustained.

Mr. Nesbit moved that the House re-consider its vote on ordering said bill to a third reading; which was sustained.

Mr. Nesbit moved that the House re-consider its vote on striking out that part of the bill relating to the mileage fees of grand and petit jurors which was sustained.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "one dollar," in the first section, and inserting the words "seventy-five cents;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Horney moved to amend the 1st section of the bill by striking out the words "five cents" and inserting "ten cents;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Logan moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The bill, as amended, was then ordered to be read a third time; when

On motion of Mr. Ewing,

The bill was read the third time by the title, and passed, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The title of the bill was amended so as to read,

A bill for "An act to allow grand and petit jurors mileage."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles:

"An act to re-locate a part of the St. Louis road;"

"An act to extend the jurisdiction of the several counties bordering on the Mississippi river;"

"An act to legalize the acts of the elders, deacons, and ministers of the Protestant Reformed Dutch Church, of Fairview, in Fulton county;

"An act to provide for taking up, registering and cancelling of State bonds, and other evidences of State indebtedness;"

"An act to vacate the town plat of the town of Reedfield, in the county of Pike;"

"An act to incorporate the town of Winchester, in Scott county;"

"An act to locate a State road therein named;"

"An act to locate a State road therein named;"

"An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetery Association;"

"An act to review and re-locate a State road from Jesse Hammer's to Chilicothe, in Peoria county;"

"An act for the relief of Matilda Powers;"

"An act to authorize the levying a tax for school purposes, in township eleven north, range one east;"

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Quincy;"

"An act to review and re-locate the State road road from Princeton to Pappaw Grove;"

"An act to legalize the military acts of Reese Bayless;"

"An act to amend 'An act concerning estrays,' approved Feb. 9, 1835;"

"An act to change the name of the town of Greenfield, in Warren county, to that of Greenbush;"

"An act confirming the survey and location of a State road from Charleston to Peoria."

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am also directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have adopted the following resolution. In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That the Auditor of Public Accounts be requested to report to the two Houses, as early as practicable, upon the subject of the domestic finances of the State, and upon the practicability of the adopting of a plan by which the Treasury can be disembarrassed, and an arrangement made to settle the accounts between the State and Messrs. Macalister and Stebbins.

They have also concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for 'An act to create the county of Milton.'

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and

The bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," was taken out of the orders of the day and read the third time.

Mr. Arnold moved the following as an engrossed rider to the bill:

"*Provided*, that this act shall not take effect for thirty days from and after its passage."

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Arnold, by striking out all after the word "provided," and inserting the following:

"That this law shall not take effect until after the expiration of this session of the Legislature;" which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Koerner and McClelland, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Blair, Bryant, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Hinson, Horney, Koerner, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Penn, Starne, Thompson, and Wilson—15.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—92.

The question recurring on Mr. Arnold's proposition to amend, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Koerner, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Blakeman, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dubois, Ervin, Gregg, Green, Hannaford, Harper, Hick, Horney, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vinyard, Whitcomb, and Woodworth—39.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Canady, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hatch, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Loy, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Penn, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—68.

The bill was then passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Anderson, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, West, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—72.

Those who voted in the negative, are,
Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Owen, Pickering, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, and Vinyard—36.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill for "An act to reduce the public debt," was taken up, and on his motion, referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from James Shields, Esq., Auditor of Public Accounts, in answer to a call of this House, by resolution, for information in relation to the domestic finances of the State, the probable amount of revenue collectable for the years 1843 and 1844, &c.; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Referred to the committee on Finance, with instructions to report a bill in conformity with the suggestions contained in said report.

Mr. Koerner moved that three thousand copies of the report be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Murphy moved five thousand copies.

Mr. Gregg moved eight thousand copies; which last motion was not agreed to; when five thousand copies were ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The resolution reported this morning from the Senate, requiring the Auditor of Public Accounts to make a report on the subject of the domestic finances, and the settlement of the accounts of the State with Messrs. Macalister and Stebbins, was taken up, read, concurred in, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles:

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain rooms;"

"An act to authorize the erection of a bridge across Rock river,"

"An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs, and others;"

"An act to alter the provisions of 'An act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,' approved Feb. 26, 1841;"

"An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates,' approved January 23, 1829,"

"An act in relation to a poor house in Jersey county;"

"An act in relation to the revenue of 1842;"

"An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit of the State of Illinois;"

"An act to locate a State road from Wm. Brown's jr., in St. Clair county, to Nashville, in Washington county;"

"An act to exempt the property of colleges and common schools from taxation for a limited period;"

"An act to incorporate Morgan institute;"

"An act for the relief of John Hodges, Wm. Clapp, and other securities of Jesse J. McLenden, former collector of Alexander county;"

"An act for the relief of Thomas Mather, Samuel H. Treat, and others;"

"An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Fountain Green precinct, in Hancock county."

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Resolved, That John S. Zeiber, editor of the Peoria Democratic Press, be permitted to take a seat within the bar of the House as a reporter of the proceedings thereof, during the remainder of the session.

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, that both Houses of the present General Assembly adjourn *sine die*, on the first Monday of March next.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act for the relief of McLean County;"

"An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;"

"An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county;"

"An act to authorize county commissioners to lease certain rooms," and

"An act to revise 'An act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State.'"

The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of bills of the following titles, as amended by them:

"An act in relation to the Cumberland road;"

"An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and for the payment of the canal debt."

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Arnold moved that the rule be dispensed with, and the bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan Canal, and the payment of the canal debt," together with the amendments of the Senate, be now taken up and considered; when,

On motion,

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor of Iowa Territory, accompanied by a memorial to the Congress of the United States, asking an appropriation for the construction of a canal at each of the rapids of the Mississippi river; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Internal Improvements.

The bill for "An act for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt," was taken up, and the amendments of the Senate thereto read.

Mr. Jonas moved that the amendments of the Senate be considered separately; when the amendment to the tenth section was agreed to.

Mr. Jonas moved to amend the Senate's second amendment, by adding the following:

"The Legislature reserves the power of altering or amending this act whenever in its opinion the public welfare demands it."

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the proposed amendment to the amendment on the table.

Mr. Jonas demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein, On motion of Mr. Arnold,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on the motion to lay the amendment, proposed by Mr. Jonas to the Senate's amendment, on the table,

It was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Logan and Blakeman, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hananahard, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Scott, Sharp, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—63.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Dennis, Dollins, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Hanson, Hicks, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McClernand, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Thompson, Vinyard, White, Whitten, and Wilson—40.

Mr. Kendall obtained leave of absence for Mr. West.

Mr. Woodworth moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question recurring on the Senate's amendments to said bill, they were agreed to.

Mr. Douglas, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act for a State road therein named," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when,

On motion of Mr. Hanson,

It was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hanson, Courtright, and Busey be that committee.

Mr. Marshall, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the Naperville Cemetary Association," reported the same back and recommended its passage.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Kane county, praying the incorporation of a company for the establishment of a woolen factory at Elgin, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of ——— Frink and others, reported a bill for "An act to incorporate the Chicago Turnpike Company;" which was read the first and second times, by its title, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Murphy, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,' approved July 21, 1837," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, as a substitute for the fifth section of the bill.

Mr. Woodworth moved to amend the amendments proposed by the committee on Banks and Corporations, by substituting the following:

"That the fifth section be amended by striking out the word "September," and inserting in lieu thereof "May;" when the bill as amended, was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the petition of the Illinois and Rock River Railroad Company, reported a bill for "An act to extend the time for the completion of the Illinois and Rock River Railroad;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the petitions of citizens of Coles county, reported the same back with a bill for "An act to establish Cumberland county;" which was read the first and second times by its title; when

Mr. Hanson moved to strike out all after the enacting clause, and insert the following, viz:

"Sec. 1. That the voters who by the laws of this State are authorized to vote for members of the State Legislature, and who reside within the bounds of Coles county, shall meet at the usual places of holding elections in said county, on the first Monday in April next, where and when a poll shall be opened and conducted by the respective judges and clerks of said election at their respective precincts. The poll books shall be so ruled in different columns as to record separately all those who vote for a division of said county, by a line running east and west through the centre, with the line dividing townships twelve and thirteen north, from all those who vote for the formation of a new county, taking off fourteen miles of the south end of the county. The clerk of the county commissioners' court shall rule off and fill up the heading of the respective columns in uniform order, as contemplated by the provisions of this act, and shall furnish two such poll books for each and every precinct, and deliver the same to the sheriff ten days previous to the election aforesaid, and said sheriff shall deliver the said poll books to the judges of the several election pre-

cincts within said county; but in case of a neglect or refusal of said clerk or sheriff to perform such duty, it shall be the duty of the judges and clerks, as in other cases, to furnish and provide such poll books as are required by law.

“SEC. 2. The judges of elections within said county shall conduct said election in all respects agreeable to the laws regulating elections, and shall make return of the poll books of their respective precincts to the clerk of the county commissioners’ court of Coles county, at the town of Charleston, within five days from the time of holding such election; and said clerk shall call to his aid three justices of the peace, one of whom shall reside in the town or Charleston precinct, one in the Independence or New Albany precinct, and the other in the Muddy, Salisbury or Greenup precinct; and said clerk shall proceed to open said poll books, and count all the votes in favor of an equal division of said county, and all the votes in favor of cropping off fourteen miles from the south end of said county, and forming a new county out of the same. And if it shall appear that a majority of all the legal votes given at said election, are in favor of a division of said county in the centre, then, in that case, all that boundary and territory of country north of the line dividing townships twelve and thirteen north, and now belonging to the county of Coles, shall compose and constitute a new county to be called Ambraw, and all the boundary south of said line, now within said county of Coles, shall remain and continue to be the county of Coles hereafter, and it shall be the duty of the clerk of the county commissioners’ court of Coles county to make out an abstract of said election, and return the same to the Secretary of State within twenty days after said election.

“SEC. 3. If it shall appear that a majority of all the votes given at said election are in favor of a division of said county in the centre, as described in the foregoing sections of this act, then the legal voters residing within the bounds of said new county to be called _____ shall meet at the usual places of holding elections within the bounds of said county of Ambraw, on the first Monday in May next, and shall proceed to elect one sheriff, one coroner, one recorder, one county surveyor, one probate justice, one clerk of the county commissioners’ court, one school commissioner, one county treasurer, and three county commissioners; the person receiving the highest number of votes for county commissioner shall remain in office for three years from the first Monday in August next, the person receiving the second highest number of votes shall remain in office for two years from the first Monday in August next, and the person receiving the third highest number of votes, shall remain in office one year from the first Monday in August next; the other county officers shall remain in office until the next succeeding general election, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

“SEC. 4. For the purpose of permanently locating the seat of justice of said county of _____ the legal voters residing within the bounds thereof, shall at the same time and place named in the preceding section (3) of this act, proceed to vote for a place or places whereat to locate the same, and the place receiving a majority of all the votes given, shall be the permanent seat of justice of said county; *Provided*, that if more than two places shall be voted for, and no one place shall receive a majority of all the votes given at said election; then a new election shall be

held on the first Monday in June next, and none other than the two places receiving the highest number of votes at the first election, shall be voted for at such second election, and the place receiving a majority of all the votes given at the second election, shall be the permanent seat of justice of said county of Ambraw.

"SEC. 5. The judges of election residing within the bounds of said county of shall conduct all elections provided for by this act in all respects agreeable to the laws now in force regulating elections, and shall make return of the poll books of their respective precincts, within five days after the election, to Samuel Hoge, J. Hankins, David Morgan, and Samuel C. Ashmore, acting justices of the peace; and the said justices or a majority of them shall meet at the town of Independence in said county, within ten days after said election, and it shall be the duty of said justices of the peace to proceed and open the poll books of said election, compare the same, and make out and deliver certificates of election to the persons so elected, and to return an abstract of said election to the Secretary of State in the same manner as is now required of the clerks of county commissioners' courts in like cases.

"SEC. 6. The county commissioners of said county of Ambraw shall as soon as may be, after receiving a title to the lands or lots upon which the county seat is located, proceed to lay off and sell the same in such way and manner, and as much thereof, as may appear to them to be proper and for the best interest of the people of said county; always reserving the title, or securing the payment by mortgage, until the payment be fully made; and it shall further be the duty of the county commissioners of said county, to erect suitable public buildings, as soon as may be after making sales of such lands and lots as above mentioned; and until such public buildings are erected, all courts for said county shall be held in the town of Independence, unless said county commissioners should otherwise direct.

"SEC. 7. The county commissioners shall meet as a court within fifteen days after their election, and shall proceed to lay off all such justices' and road districts, and election precincts, and do all other business pertaining to their office as may be lawful and necessary.

"SEC. 8. The school funds belonging to the several townships in said county of Ambraw, together with all the interest arising from said moneys, and now in the hands of the school commissioners of Coles county, and all notes and mortgages appertaining to the same, shall be paid and delivered over to the school commissioner of said county of Ambraw, as soon as the county shall be organized, and a school commissioner elected and qualified according to law.

"SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the clerk of the county commissioners' court of said county, as soon as may be after the election of county officers, to inform the judge of the fourth judicial circuit that the county is organized, and the said judge shall appoint a clerk and fix the time for holding the circuit courts, and said county of Ambraw shall form a part of the fourth judicial circuit, and shall vote for Senator and Representatives for the General Assembly with the county of Coles, the same as if no division of said county had taken place.

"SEC. 10. And if it shall appear that a majority of all the legal votes given, as provided in the first and second sections of this act, on the first

Monday in April next, are in favor of such central division as herein provided for, then the legal voters of the southern division, or county of Coles, shall meet at the usual places of holding elections within said bounds or southern division, on the first Monday in May next, and proceed to vote for a place whereat to re-locate the seat of justice of Coles county, and the place receiving the majority of all the votes given at said election, shall be the permanent location of the seat of justice for Coles county: *Provided*, that if more than two places are voted for, and no one place shall receive a majority of all the votes given at said election, a new election shall be held on the first Monday in June next, and none other than the two places receiving the highest number of votes at the first election shall be voted for at such second election, and the place receiving the highest number, or a majority of all the votes given at the second election, shall be the permanent seat of justice of said county of Coles.

"SEC. 11. It shall be the duty of the judges of all elections herein provided for, to deliver to the clerk of the county commissioners' court, within five days after said elections, the poll books of said election, and the clerk shall proceed in the presence of two justices of the peace of said county of Coles, to open and compare the polls.

"SEC. 12. In the event of such central division, as provided for in the foregoing sections of this act, and also, in the event of the removal or relocation of the seat of justice of Coles county, it shall be the duty of the county commissioners' court of Coles county to advertise thirty days previously, and sell to the highest bidder all the public buildings at Charleston, on a credit of one, two, and three years, in equal instalments, with bond and approved security, taking a mortgage on the property until payment is fully made for the same, and the said commissioners shall take the notes of such purchasers in such several sums as may be proper for a *pro rata* dividend with the new county of Ambraw, according to the number of votes polled at the last election in each county, and the said commissioners shall endorse and pay over the *pro rata* dividend of said notes to the county commissioners of said county of Ambraw, taking a receipt for the same, which shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county commissioners' court of Coles county.

"SEC. 13. If, however, it shall appear from all the votes given at the first election held in the county of Coles on the first Monday in April next, as provided for in the first and second sections of this act, that a majority of the votes given at said election are opposed to a central division of said county, and in favor of the formation of a new county, by cutting off fourteen miles of the south end of said county, beginning at the north-west corner of section thirty, in township eleven north, and in range seven east of the third principal meridian, and running thence east with said section lines to the county of Clark, and thence south with the line dividing Clark and Coles counties, to the county of Jasper, and thence west with the line dividing the county of Jasper and Coles, and between Effingham and Coles, to the south-west corner of township nine north, of range number seven east, and thence north with the line dividing ranges six and seven east, to the place of beginning, which shall form and constitute a new county to be called Cumberland; then, in that case, the legal voters residing within the bounds of said new county of Cumberland shall meet at the usual places of holding elections within the bounds

of said new county, on the first Monday in May next, and shall proceed to elect one sheriff, one coroner, one recorder, one county surveyor, one probate justice, one clerk of the county commissioners' court, one treasurer, one school commissioner, and three county commissioners; the person receiving the highest number of votes for county commissioner, shall remain in office for three years from the first Monday in August next, the person receiving the second highest number of votes, shall remain in office for two years from the first Monday in August next, and the person receiving the third highest number of votes shall remain in office for one year from the first Monday in August next. The other county officers shall remain in office until the next succeeding general election, and until their successors are elected and qualified.

"SEC. 14. For the purpose of permanently locating the seat of justice of said county of Cumberland, the legal voters residing within the bounds thereof shall, at the same time and place named in the preceding section, proceed to vote for a place or places whereat to locate the same, and the place receiving a majority of all the votes given, shall be the permanent seat of justice of said county; *Provided*, that if more than two places shall be voted for, and no one place shall receive a majority of all the votes given at said election, a new election shall be held on the first Monday in June next, and none other than the two places receiving the highest number at the first election, shall be voted for at said second election, and the place receiving the majority of all the votes given at said second election, shall be the permanent seat of justice of said county of Cumberland.

"SEC. 15. The judges of election residing within the boundaries of said county of Cumberland, shall conduct the elections herein provided for in all respects agreeable to the laws regulating elections, and shall make return of the poll books of their respective precincts, within five days after said election, to James Ewart, John Vandike, Daniel Needham, and David Wisner, acting justices of the peace, and the said justices, or a majority of them, shall meet at the town of Greenup, within ten days after said election, and it shall be the duty of said justices of the peace to open and compare the poll books, to make out and deliver certificates to the persons elected, and to return an abstract of said election to the Secretary of State, in the same manner as is now required of clerks of county commissioners' courts, in like cases.

"SEC. 16. The county commissioners shall meet as a court, at the town of Greenup, within twenty days after their election, and shall proceed to lay off road and justices' districts, and election precincts, as they may deem proper and right, and agreeable to law; and as soon as they shall receive a title for the lands, ground, or lot, upon which the seat of justice shall be located, they shall immediately proceed to lay off the said town in lots of ground of such size as they may think proper, and sell the same, or a part thereof, in such manner and on such terms as they may think most conducive to the interests of said county; always securing the payment for the same by mortgages on the property or reserving the title until the payment is made in full.

"SEC. 17. It shall further be the duty of the county commissioners of said county to erect suitable public buildings, as soon as may be, after making sales of town lands and lots, as provided for in the preceding section; and until such public buildings are erected all courts for said county

shall be held at the town of Greenup, unless the commissioners should otherwise order and direct.

"SEC. 18. The school funds belonging to the several townships in said county of Cumberland, together with all interest arising from said moneys, and now in the hands of the school commissioner of Coles county, and all notes and mortgages appertaining to the same, shall be paid and delivered over to the school commissioner of Cumberland county, as soon as said county is organized, and a school commissioner elected and qualified, according to law.

"SEC. 19. It shall be the duty of the Clerk of the county commissioners' court, as soon as the county officers are elected, and the county organized, to inform the judge of the fourth judicial circuit thereof, and the said judge shall appoint a clerk and fix the time of holding the circuit courts, and said county of Cumberland shall form a part of the fourth judicial circuit, and shall vote for Senator and Representatives for the General Assembly with the county of Coles, the same as if no division of said county had taken place.

"SEC. 20. In all cases when any person or persons shall offer any donation of land, town lots, moneys, or property of any description, to aid in the erection of public buildings, either in the county of Ambraw, the county of Coles, or the county of Cumberland, as the case may be, or when any person or persons offering a donation of land or town lots, whereupon to locate the seat of justice of any of the before mentioned counties, they shall, at least fifteen days previous to the election, to be held on the first Monday of May next, advertise, and describe in said advertisement, all such lands, lots, other property, or moneys, either in the Charleston Courier, or in five of the most public places within the counties aforesaid, and all such persons shall give to the county commissioners' court of the proper county, bond and approved security, for all such donations and offers of money, or other valuable thing, to aid in the construction of such public buildings in said county, subject to the conditions and specifications of said bond, and all those offering any such donations shall be held in law and equity bound to pay and transfer to the county commissioners of said counties, respectively, all such lands, lots, and other property or moneys offered by them for a location for said county seat, or to aid in erecting the public buildings in said counties, otherwise any such proposed locations shall not be voted for.

SEC. 21. The clerks of the county commissioners' courts of the foregoing counties, as the case may be, shall issue all writs of elections pertaining to all elections to be held in said counties under the provisions of this act.

SEC. 22. The collector of State and county revenue of Coles county, shall not be prohibited from collecting the revenue yet due from persons living in any part of said county or counties, formed under the provisions of this act, and all suits and indictments that have been commenced or may hereafter be commenced in the circuit court of Coles county, by any of the citizens living either within the limits of Ambraw county, or Cumberland county, before the organization of the same, as the case may be, shall not be effected by this act, but all suits so commenced, shall be decided in the circuit court of Coles county, where they originated, and all justices of the peace and constables residing within the limits of such

new county as may be created and organized by the provisions of this act, shall hold their offices and have jurisdiction in the said county where they may reside, as though they had been originally elected in said county.

"SEC. 23. In all elections to be holden under the provisions of this act, the clerks of the several election precincts, shall, over every respective column, in their poll books, affix an appropriate caption over said column, corresponding with what is to be recorded in said columns.

"SEC. 24. If it shall appear, after comparing the polls of the election to be held in the county of Coles, on the first Monday in April next, that a majority of all the legal votes given at said election are in favor of a central division of said county, then so much of this act as provides for the formation and organization of the county of Cumberland, shall be null and void; but if it shall appear that a majority of all the votes given at said election are opposed to such central division, and in favor of the formation of the county of Cumberland, then so much of this act as provides for the formation and organization of the county of Ambraw, and, also, so much of this act as provides for the removal or re-location of the seat of justice of Coles county, and selling and disposing of all the public buildings, shall be null and void.

"SEC. 25. This act to take effect from and after its passage."

Mr. Turner demanded the previous question; which was sustained.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Hanson, it was not agreed to; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Dollins, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—86.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Collins, Davis of Bond, Epler, Graves, Hanson, Jackson of Whiteside, Loy, Menard, Shirley, Spicer, Stewart, Stockton, and Tackerberry—14.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the adoption of their resolution proposing that the two Houses of the General Assembly adjourn *sine die* on the first Monday of March next.

Mr. Manning, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred petitions of citizens of Woodford county, in relation to the county seat,

reported a bill for "An act permanently to locate the county seat of Woodford county;" which was read the first time, and the second time by the title; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Tackerberry and Blakeman, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Edwards, Ewing, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Green, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of White-side, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Canady, Danner, Dennis, Douglas, Dutois, Epler, Ervin, Gregg, Haley, Ham-baugh, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Tackerberry, and Weatherford—34.

When the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in said second judicial circuit."

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was re-committed the bill for "An act to reduce the public debt," together with the amendments proposed thereto by said committee, reported the same back to the House, with sundry amendments to the amendments previously proposed by said committee; which said amendments to the amendments were read and concurred in.

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, and sundry documents relative to the selection of lands under the act of Congress making a donation of lands to the States of Illinois, Arkansas, and Missouri; which were read in part, when,

On motion of Weatherford,

The further reading of the same was dispensed with.

The communication and documents were then laid on the table and ordered to be printed for the use of the House.

Senate bill for "An act for the removal of the county seat of Henry county" was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's preamble and resolution proposing to instruct our Senators and request our Representatives in Congress to use their efforts to increase the pension drawn by Hezekiah West, were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

Senate bill for "An act to enable the collector of Monroe county to collect the delinquent taxes of 1839," was taken up, read the third time by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which had been referred the report of the joint select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Fund Commissioners, with instructions, made a report at length upon the subject, accompanied with resolutions; which were read, when

Mr. Browning moved to amend the report by adding the following, to wit:

"Resolved, That the contract entered into by Charles Oakley and M. M. Rawlings, Fund Commissioners of the State of Illinois, with John Delafield, on the 7th day of May, 1839, for the sale to the said Delafield of two hundred and eighty-three bonds, of one thousand dollars each, was unauthorized by the laws of the State, and that the said Rawlings and Oakley are legally liable to account to the State for any loss which may have occurred in consequence of said contract.

"Resolved, That the contract entered into by M. M. Rawlings, Charles Oakley, and John Tillson, jr., Fund Commissioners of the State of Illinois, with the Erie County Bank, in the city of Buffalo, on the 26th day of September, 1839, for the sale to the said bank of one hundred State bonds of one thousand dollars each; and the contract entered into by the said Rawlings, Oakley, and Tillson, with the Bank of Commerce, in Buffalo, on the 27th day of September, 1839, for the sale to the said bank of one hundred State bonds, of one thousand dollars each; and the contract entered into by the said Rawlings, Oakley, and Tillson, with the Commercial Bank of Buffalo, on the 26th day of September, 1839, for the sale to the said bank of one hundred State bonds of one thousand dollars each; and the contract entered into by the said Rawlings, Oakley, and Tillson, with the Atlantic Bank, in the city of New York, for the sale to the said bank of one hundred and fifty State bonds, of one thousand dollars each; and the contract entered into by the said Rawlings, Oakley, and Tillson, with A. H. Bangs, for the sale to the said Bangs of fifty State bonds, for one thousand dollars each, were all unauthorized by the laws of the State, and that the said Rawlings, Oakley, and Tillson, are legally liable to account to the State for any loss which may have occurred in consequence of said contracts.

"Resolved, That the contract entered into by M. M. Rawlings and Charles Oakley, Fund Commissioners of the State of Illinois, with John Wright,

on the 22d day of August, 1839, by which they hypothecated to the said Wright one thousand five hundred bonds, for one thousand dollars each, was unauthorized by the laws of the State, and that the said Rawlings and Oakley are legally liable to account to the State for any loss which may have occurred in consequence of said contract.

Resolved, That the contract entered into by John D. Whiteside, Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois, with Messrs. Macalister & Stebbins, by which he hypothecated to the said Macalister & Stebbins, eight hundred and four State bonds, for one thousand dollars each, was unauthorized by the laws of the State, and that the said Whiteside is legally liable to account to the State for any loss which may have occurred in consequence of said contract.

Resolved, That the Attorney General be directed forthwith to commence suits against the said Moses M. Rawlings, Charles Oakley, John Tillson, jr., and John D. Whiteside, to recover from them all damages and losses which the State may have sustained by, or on account of the contracts aforesaid, or any of them."

Mr Murphy moved to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Brown of Sangamon, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Busey, Courtright, Dougherty, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Menard, Murphy, Nesbit, Shirley, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—33.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blake-man, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, West, White, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—74.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning,

Mr. McClernand moved to lay the resolutions proposed by the committee on the Judiciary, and the amendment thereto, proposed by Mr. Browning, on the table; which was agreed to by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Ervin, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Collins, Courtright, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Flanders, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Scott,

Shirley, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hickman, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Stockton, Thompson, West, White, and Yates—52.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, the following bills, viz:

“An act to create the county of Milton;”

“An act for the relief of the collector of McLean county;”

“An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;”

“An act to revive an act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State;”

“An act to authorize county commissioners to lease certain rooms,” and A preamble and resolutions in relation to the State debt.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles:

“An act further to amend the law relating to practice in courts;”

“An act to authorize county commissioners to erect fire proof offices, for the preservation of county records;”

“An act to locate a State road therein named,” and

“An act for the location of an academy in the county of Will, and for other purposes.”

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they have this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit, in the State of Illinois;”

“An act in relation to a poor house in Jersey county;”

“An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs, and others;”

“An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain rooms;”

“An act to amend ‘An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates,’ approved January 23, 1829;”

“An act to alter the provisions of ‘An act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,’ approved Feb. 26, 1841;”

“An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river;”

“An act in relation to the revenue of 1842;”

“An act to create the county of Milton;”

“An act for the relief of the collector of McLean county;”

"An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;"

"An act to revive an act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State;"

"An act to authorize county commissioners to lease certain rooms."

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act changing the times of holding circuit courts in the ninth judicial circuit;"

"An act in relation to the revenue of 1842;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Lee county to lease certain rooms;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river;"

"An act in relation to a poor house in Jersey county;"

"An act for the relief of Harrison W. Higgs and others;"

"An act to alter the provisions of 'An act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools,' approved Feb. 26, 1841."

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, reported a bill for "An act for the settlement of the accounts of James W. Barrett;" which was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Koerner, also, from the same committee, reported a bill for "An act to appoint a board of auditors to settle the accounts with R. F. Barret, late Fund Commissioner;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when

Mr. Logan moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting the following:

"That the Auditor of Public Accounts shall issue his warrant on the Treasurer for the sum of fifteen hundred dollars, in favor of Richard F. Barret, for the use of Nevins, Townsend, & Co., which shall be a settlement in full of the accounts of said Barret, as late Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois; when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The amendment was laid on the table.

The rule being dispensed with, the bill was read a third time by the title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Compton moved for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Representatives will, after this evening, hold evening sessions, meeting at 7 o'clock P. M., and,

Resolved further. That the names of absent members, on a call of the House, shall hereafter be entered on the journal."

Mr. Weatherford demanded a division of the question.

The question arising on the first resolution, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Turner and Ficklin, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, White, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—54.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Dennis, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Glass, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Vance, West, Weatherford, Wheat, and Woodworth—47.

The question arising on the second resolution,

On motion,

The House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

The bill for "An act for changing the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit," together with the Senate's amendments thereto, was taken up; when, without reading, the House refused to concur with the Senate in their amendment to the bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act amendatory of 'An act concerning the public revenue,'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act providing for the binding of the laws and journals,' approved January 31, 1840," reported the same back to the House, and recommended it passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize the Governor to convey certain lots in the town of Shawneetown to E. J. Durbin," was read the first time, and the second time by its title.

Mr. Browning moved to refer the bill to the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures; which was not agreed to; when the bill was read the third time by the title and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve the incorporation;"

"An act to provide for the receipt of the distributive share of this State of the proceeds of the sales of public lands;"

"An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues;"

"An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county;"

"An act to legalize certain proceedings of the trustees of schools for township thirty-three north, range three east, and for other purposes;"

"An act to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county;"

"An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary."

The Senate have refused to concur with the House of Representatives in their amendments to Senate bill for "An act to increase the per diem allowance pay of grand and petit jurors, and to allow them mileage."

I am further directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to exempt certain articles from execution."

"An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell," and

"An act to locate a State road from Josephine to Knoxville," with amendments.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first time, and the second and third times by their titles, and passed:

"An act to incorporate the Oak Grove Cemetery Association;"

"An act to amend 'An act to establish a State road from Jemison's ferry, in Pope county, to Cape Girardeau,' in force March 2, 1839;"

"An act to correct a mistake in the platting and recording of the plat of Peru;"

"An act to open a new street in the city of Chicago, and for other purposes;"

"An act in relation to the town of Manchester;"

"An act providing for the making of an index to the records of Cook county, and for other purposes."

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to re-locate the county seat of Carroll county," was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Senate bill for "An act to pay over school money to the county of Kendall," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Woodworth, Madden, and Ames be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to establish a State road therein named," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Miller,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Miller, Sharp, and Turner be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to permanently locate the seat of justice of the county of Whiteside," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Counties.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first time, and the second and third times by their titles, and passed, to wit:

"An act concerning the sixteenth section, township one south, range five west, lying in the counties of Washington and Clinton;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Wayne county, to transfer a certain lot of ground therein named;"

"An act to enable Smith Turner, of Mason county, to establish a ferry across the Sangamon river;"

"An act authorizing Charles G. Eldridge to keep a ferry across the Mississippi river;"

"An act in relation to public roads in the county of Washington."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act amending the several acts relating to attachments;" and have also concurred with the House in its amendments to Senate bill for "An act to fix the tenure of certain officers."

Senate bill for "An act to authorize John M. Robinson and others to establish a ferry, and for other purposes," was read the first time, and the second time by its title.

Mr. Kuykendall moved the indefinite postponement of the bill; which was not agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be read a third time.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the first time, and the second and third times by their titles, and passed.

"An act to locate a State road therein named;"

"An act to locate a State road therein named;"

"An act to legalize the military acts of Reese Bayless;"

"An act to vacate the town plat of Reedfield, in the county of Pike;"

"An act to review and re-locate a State road from Jesse Hammer's to Chillicothe, in Peoria county;"

"An act confirming the survey and location of a State road from Charleston to Peoria;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Rock Island county to build a free bridge across Rock river;"

"An act to authorize county commissioners' courts to erect fire proof offices for the preservation of county records;"

"An act for the location of an academy in the county of Will, and for other purposes;"

"An act to change the name of the town of Greenfield, in Warren county, to that of Greenbush," and

"An act to locate a State road therein named."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to incorporate town of Winchester, in Scott county," was read the first and second times by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Senate bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Dubois,

Referred to the committee on State Roads.

Senate bill for "An act to review and re-locate the State road leading from Princeton to Pawpaw Grove," was read the first and second times by its title, and then read the third time, when

Mr. Horney moved its indefinite postponement; which was not agreed ; when the bill passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Miller, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to establish a State road therein named," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to re-locate a part of the St. Louis road," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Blakeman,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Blakeman, Aldrich, and Davis of Bond be that committee.

A Senate bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize the levying of a tax for school purposes, in township eleven north, range one east," was read the first time, and the second and third times by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Manning,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Manning, Spicer, and Davis of Williamson be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Quincy," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Browning, Wheat, and Jonas be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Abraham J. Vandegrift and others," was read the first time, and the second and third times by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, and Logan be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act for the benefit of minor heirs," was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for "An act for the regulating of county treasurers and county funds," was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Anderson, Dollins, and Smith of Crawford be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of the county of Bureau to borrow money," was read the first time, and the second and third times by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bills as correctly enrolled, to wit:

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in said second judicial circuit;"

"An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county;"

"An act to provide for the receipt of the distributive share of this State of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands;"

Also, as correctly engrossed, "An act to incorporate the Chicago Turnpike Company."

Senate bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act to create the county of Marquette,'" was read the first time, and the second time by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Jonas,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jonas, Wheat, and Garrett be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act authorizing Vermilion and Iroquois counties to sell certain lands and make certain payments to Champaign county, and for other purposes," was read the first and second times by the title, and,

On motion of Mr. Courtright,

Referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Courtright, Canady, and Busey be that committee.

Senate bill for "An act to prevent cities and towns from issuing warrants to circulate as money," was read the first time, and the second time by the title.

Mr. Browning moved that the bill be referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the bill by adding after the word "town," wherever it occurs in the bill, the words "or county."

Mr. Browning moved to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. McClernand, by adding the following:

"After the passage of this act, no Auditor's warrant shall be issued for a less sum than the whole amount of the indebtedness from the State to the individual to whom such warrant is issued."

Mr. Cochran moved to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. McClernand to the bill, and the amendment thereto, proposed by Mr. Browning, on the table.

Which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Kuykendall, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Buscy, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Green, Halcy, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stockton, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, West, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Yates—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Blair, Brown of Pike, Ficklin, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, McClernand, Madden, Penn, Pickering, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Wheat, and Mr. Speaker—17.

When the bill was informally passed over, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill for "An act to reduce the public debt," was made the special order of the day for 2 o'clock this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted, viz:

Whereas, there are several engraved plates belonging to the State now in the hands of engravers and others, and which have heretofore been used to print State bonds; *And whereas*, it is important that those plates should be procured by the proper authorities of this State, and that they should be destroyed; therefore,

Resolved by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, That the Governor shall be and he is hereby authorized and required to procure the possession of all engraved plates, and caused the same to be defaced or destroyed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have receded from their amendment to a bill from the House of Representatives for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, a bill of the following title, viz:

"An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt."

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt;" when,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act to reduce the public debt," being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

The question being on the amendment proposed thereto, by the committee on Finance, as amended,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The seventh section of the proposed amendment was amended by inserting after the word "that," in the ninth line, the following: "if the said bank accepts the provisions of this act."

Mr. Dollins moved to amend the sixth section of the amendment, by striking out of the second line, the word "fifteen," and inserting the word "ten;" which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The amendment was amended by striking out the seventeenth section, and inserting the following:

"If the bank shall accept the provisions of this act, and shall go into liquidation as aforesaid, then, and in that case, the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation,' shall be suspended for and during the term of four years from and after the fourth day of March, A. D. 1843, and no longer; and for the purpose of enabling the bank to signify such acceptance, and to go into liquidation as aforesaid, the operations of the provisions of the act, the title of which is above recited, shall be and the same are hereby suspended for the period of thirty days from and after the passage of this act."

Mr. Koerner moved to amend the proposed amendment, by striking out all after the word "perpetual," in the twenty-sixth line of the ninth section, and inserting the following:

"If any of the officers of said bank shall at any time violate any of the provisions of this act, the act of incorporation of said bank, passed by the Legislature of the Illinois Territory, and all acts supplementary or amendatory thereto, shall be deemed to be and stand forever repealed, and all acts or parts of acts, which may then be in existence, repealing said act of incorporation, and the acts amendatory or supplementary thereto, and winding up of said bank, and which acts may have become suspended by the operation of this act, shall immediately go into force, and the commissioner appointed under said repealing act, shall proceed to wind up said bank, as provided in said repealing act or acts. And should no law providing for a repeal of the charter of said bank, and putting it into liquidation, be in force at the time of any of the provisions of this act being violated as aforesaid, then, and in that case, the commissioner appointed by virtue of this act, if, in his opinion, the law has been violated, shall immediately apply for an injunction against the officers of said bank, and also, proceed against said officers by writ of *quo warranto*, and if the court, upon hearing of said *quo warranto*, decides that any of the provisions of this act have been violated, then, and in that case, those parts of the charter of said bank, which are not absolutely repealed, shall be declared by said court as forfeited; and the said court or judge shall appoint receivers, in such manner as is provided in the tenth section of this act,

who shall proceed to wind up and liquidate said bank, as directed in said last mentioned section."

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the amendment proposed by Mr. Koerner, by substituting the following:

"And if it shall appear that the bank has violated any provisions of this act, or;" which was agreed to.

Mr. McClernand moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question recurring on the amendment of the committee on Finance, as amended, it was agreed to.

When the bill was ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Loy and Koerner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gregg, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Whitcomb—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Bell, Blair, Brown of Pike, Collins, Compton, Dickinson, Dubois, Glass, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Loy, Madden, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, West, Wheat, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—28.

The committee on Enrolled Bills reported that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county;"

"An act to provide for the distributive share of this State of the proceeds of sales of the public lands;"

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in said second judicial circuit;"

"An act to provide for the completion of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and for the payment of the canal debt."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to refund to Daniel B. Bush, certain moneys wrongfully paid into the treasury;"

"An act to regulate weights and measures;"

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield;"

"An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county," and

"An act to authorize John T. Davis, and his associates, to build a mill on Saline creek, in Williamson county;" when

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues;"

"An act amending the several acts relative to attachments;"

"An act to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county;"

"An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county;"

"An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary;"

"An act to enable inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve their incorporations," and

"An act legalizing certain proceedings of the trustees of schools, for townships thirty-three north, range three east, and for other purposes."

When the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the petition of citizens of Whiteside county, praying the appointment of commissioners to re-locate the seat of justice of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of the following bills:

"An act authorizing a change in a State road in Morgan county;"

"An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford county;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning a town plat therein named,' approved Feb. 17, 1841;"

"An act for the relief of McHenry county;"

"An act in relation to the county seat of Jackson county."

They have also concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies, established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes,' as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the adoption of a preamble and resolution authorizing the Governor to procure the possession of certain engraved plates, and destroy the same; and in their amendment to a memorial to Congress, praying the removal of obstructions to the navigation of the Mississippi river.

The Senate have passed a bill for "An act to authorize Alexander to build a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills, as correctly enrolled:

"An act to refund to Daniel B. Bush certain moneys wrongfully paid into the Treasury;"

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield;"

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;"

"An act to regulate weights and measures;"

"An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county;"

"An act to authorize John T. Davis, and his associates, to build a mill-dam on Saline creek, in Williamson county." Also as correctly engrossed,

"An act to incorporate the Naperville Cemetery Association;"

"An act to reduce the public debt;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,' approved July 21, 1837."

Mr. Jackson of Whiteside presented the remonstrance of citizens of Whiteside, against the passage of any act to legalize the acts of A. R. Hamilton, and C. G. Woodruff, Esqrs; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Cloud presented the remonstrance of citizens of Morgan county, against any division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry presented the petition of 296 inhabitants of the county of McHenry, praying the removal of the seat of justice of said county; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Fowler presented the petition of sundry citizens of Coles county, praying a division of said county in the centre; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. Blakeman presented the petition of the citizens of Madison county, praying the expunging of the words "ordinary times," from the valuation law; which was read and laid on the table.

"Mr. Stewart presented the petition of citizens of Chicago, praying a change of the laws in relation to the poor of that city; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House the petition of citizens of Adams county, praying a change in the laws relating to negroes and mulattoes; which was read and indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the memorial of the American Society for ameliorating the condition of the Jews, reported the same back to the House and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Koerner, from the same committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 23, 1839," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Ordered, that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Cushman, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act authorizing the school commissioner of La Salle county to dispose of depreciated bank notes belonging to the school fund," re-

ported the same back and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Cushman, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act relating to the revenue of La Salle county," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Brinkley, from the committee on Education, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to relieve the Mount Vernon Academy," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof

Mr. Hannaford, from the committee on Education, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate academies and seminaries of learning," reported the same back to the House, with amendments; which were read and concurred in, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Brown of Pike, from the committee on Education, to which was referred a bill for "An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school fund," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was concurred in.

Ordered, that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Browning moved to dispense with the rule of the House, and take up for consideration the bill for "An act in relation to common schools;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Flanders, from the committee on Salines, to which was referred the bill for "An act authorizing Vermilion and Iroquois counties to sell certain lands, and make certain payments to Champaign county," reported the same back to the House and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred the petition of Wm. Porter, assignee of E. G. Johns, in bankruptcy, reported the same back and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Collins, from the same committee, to which was referred a communication from Gov. Carlin, relative to State bonds, reported the same back, with a bill for "An act in relation to State bonds, and other evidences of State indebtedness;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and the rule being dispensed with, the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society,'" and

"An act to locate a State road therein named," with amendments.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill for "An act to authorize the canal commissioners to pay the back per centage on section 187."

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to create the county of Milton;"

"An act for the relief and benefit of Richland county;"

"An act to authorize county commissioners to lease certain rooms;"

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the second judicial circuit, and to include the county of Perry in said second judicial circuit;"

"An act applying the bonus of Bond county to the school fund of said county;"

"An act to provide for the receipt of the distributive share of this State of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands;"

"An act to revive an act to provide for settlers on lands purchased by the State," and

"An act for the relief of the collector of McLean county."

Mr. Nesbit, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred a petition for the relief of Elijah Willard, reported a bill for "An act making compensation to Elijah Willard, formerly a commissioner of the board of public works;" which was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brinkley and Kuykendall, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Brown of Pike, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Danner, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bishop, Blakeman, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dubois, Ewing, Garrett, Jackson of Whiteside, Kuykendall, Logan, Loy, McMillan, Manning, Norris, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Stockton, Vandever, Whitcomb, White, Wilson, and Yates—32.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice, and for other purposes," reported the same back, with amendments.

Mr. Spicer moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting the following:

"SEC. 1. That for the purpose of compiling, printing and binding, and furnishing paper for an edition of the laws of Illinois of a general and public nature, including all such laws now in force up to the close of the present session of the General Assembly, excluding all acts or parts of acts that have been repealed, or have expired; there shall be appropriated out of the public funds, the sum of thirteen thousand dollars.

"SEC. 2. That if the Public Printer will furnish an edition of ten thousand copies of said laws, for the sum named in the first section of this act, it shall be binding as a contract between them and the State, from the date of their acceptance; they being required to accept the same within thirty days from the passage of this act.

"SEC. 3. If the Public Printers will not accept of the printing of the laws as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to contract with any other responsible printer or printers for the printing of the same, provided they are done in the manner prescribed in this act, and for no greater sum than that appropriated in the first section.

"SEC. 4. The edition of laws hereby ordered to be printed, to be executed in a workman-like manner, correctly indexed, with copious notes and references, upon small pica or long primer type, the paper being of royal octavo size, and upon good law paper, of a quality equal to that heretofore used in printing the laws of the State, and full bound in leather, the materials, the mechanical part, and in all other respects, to be fully equal to Stephen F. Gale's edition of the Illinois statutes.

"SEC. 5. That the Public Printers, or such other printer or printers as may contract for the execution of the work, shall be required to complete the same within one year from the 1st of March, 1843: and it is hereby made the duty of the Secretary of State to distribute the same, after they have been delivered to him by said printer or printers, to the several officers and others, in the various counties in the State, in the manner following; that it is to say, according to the provisions of the act approved Jan. 14, 1827, regulating the publication and distribution of the laws and journals of the General Assembly; *Provided*, there shall be none distributed to constables or to the president of the State Bank.

"SEC. 6. That the printer or printers who may have contracted for the execution of the work, may, at any time, call to his or their assistance in the compilation of the work, the services of the Attorney General, who shall be paid for the same the sum of two hundred and twenty dollars, out of the appropriation made in the first section of this act; the remaining twelve thousand seven hundred and eighty dollars, and no more, to be paid to the printer or printers who shall execute the work; *Provided*, that if the Attorney shall neglect or refuse to give his aid when called upon, in the manner set forth, he shall not be paid any part of the sum hereby appropriated, but it shall be and remain in the Treasury the same as if it had not been appropriated; and it shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to give his assistance when called upon."

Mr. Logan moved to amend the proposed amendment, which was accepted by Mr. Spicer as a modification of his proposition to amend, viz:

"Provided, that before any money shall be paid out of the Treasury for said publication, a certificate shall be procured from the Supreme Court, that the laws are correctly compiled, that all laws of a public or general character, in existence, are contained in the same, and that the repealed laws are excluded, that the index and marginal notes, and, also, the paper, binding, and execution of the work, are, in all respects, equal to Gale's edition to the laws of the State;" which motion to amend, as modified, was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Kuykendall and Arnold, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Graves, Green, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—73.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Arnold, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Danner, Dickinson, Dubois, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hicks, Koerner, Langworthy, Loy, McBride, Madden, Menard, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Stewart, Thompson, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, and Woodworth—39.

On motion of Mr. Hannaford,

The bill was further amended, as follows, viz:

"Provided, the Secretary of State is hereby authorized to offer the same to be done at the lowest price, and he shall contract with the person who will publish said book, and shall not pay therefor exceeding \$12,780."

The bill was then ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to judgments and executions," reported the same back, without amendment, and, on his motion, read the third time by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve their incorporations;"

"An act to legalize certain proceedings of the trustees of schools for townships thirty-three north, range three east, and for other purposes;"

"An act amending the several acts relating to attachments;"

"An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary;"

"An act to regulate weights and measures;"

"An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county;"

"An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues;"

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;"

"An act to refund to Daniel B. Bush certain moneys wrongfully paid into the Treasury;"

"An act to authorize John T. Davis, and his associates, to build a mill-dam on Saline creek, in Williamson county;"

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield;"

"An act to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county;"

"An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed a bill for "An act explanatory of an act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,' approved Jan. 6, 1843."

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Murphy moved that the House take up for consideration the bill providing for the repeal of certain sections of the Nauvoo city charter; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839, and to legalize the assessment of property in the county La Salle, for the year 1841," reported the same back, with amendments; which were agreed to.

Ordered, that the bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Chicago Hydraulic Company,'" reported the same back, and the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act relative to criminal jurisprudence,' approved Feb. 26, 1833," reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be read a third time.

Mr. Ficklin, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to distribute the school fund to the several counties in this State," and the amendment proposed thereto by Mr. Norris, reported the same back to the House; when the bill was, for the present, laid aside.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill for "An act to reduce the public debt," was taken up, read the third time and passed; when,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The title was amended by adding "one million of dollars, and to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein; when

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the joint select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Fund Commissioners, made a report with reference to certain acts of John D. Whiteside, present Fund Commissioner, which was read, and reported; also, a bill for an act entitled "An act appointing the Governor ex-officio, Fund Commis'r. of the State of Illinois;" which was read; when the report and bill were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Bell, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to attach part of the county of Woodford to the county of Marshall," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Sharp, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act regulating mills and millers,'" reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; when,

On motion of Mr. Glass,

The bill and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

Mr. Whitcomb moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House receive reports of select committees and make the same the order of the day for Saturday next; which was,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Koerner, from the select committee to which was referred the engrossed bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment, as a substitute.

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

The proposed amendment was amended by inserting after the words "eighteen hundred and forty-three," in the 3d section, the words "one Representative shall also be elected as aforesaid, in each of the said districts, on the first Monday of August, 1844."

Mr. Logan moved to amend the second section of the proposed amendment by striking from the fifth clause, the word "Greene," and inserting it in the seventh clause.

Mr. Turner moved to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hannasford, Hatch, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vandever, Weatherford, and Yates—51.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the amendment proposed by the committee, by striking out the counties composing the 5th district, and inserting the following:

“Calhoun, Pike, Adams, Marquette, Brown, Schuyler, Fulton, McDonough, and Hancock.”

Mr. Blair moved the indefinite postponement of the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Wheat, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—67.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Weatherford, and Yates—39.

Mr. Ames demanded the previous question; which was sustained.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by the select committee, as amended, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Turner, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Flanders, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—56.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Weatherford, White, and Yates—51.

When the bill passed as amended, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dubois and Blair, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bishop, Blair, Bradley, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Flanders, Gobble, Green, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Davis of Bond, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Manning, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Weatherford, and Yates—17.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid; and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Dougherty, from the select committee to which was referred a resolution relative to the termination of the Cumberland road, in the State of Illinois, made a report at length upon the subject, accompanied with resolutions.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The report of the committee was amended by adding the following resolution.

Resolved, That our Senators in Congress be instructed, and our Representatives in Congress be requested, to use their best exertions to obtain an appropriation of \$100,000 each, to be appropriated upon the Cumberland road, in the States of Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois."

Mr. Cloud demanded a division of the question; when

Mr. Hicks moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Davis of Bond and Brown of Sangamon, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dubois, Edwards, Epler,

Glass, Haley, Harper, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, and Yates—47.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Graves, Gregg, Green, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Koerner, Lawler, Loy, McBride, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Shirley, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Wheat, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—46.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles:

“An act in relation to the penitentiary;”

“An act to regulate the time of redemption of real estate, sold for taxes by town or city incorporations;”

“An act to repeal the charter of the city of Springfield;”

“An act to incorporate the Galena Manufacturing Company;”

“An act in relation to the streets running through out lots in the town of Vandalia,” and

“An act to form the county of Pulaski.”

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives; when

The House adjourned.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Caldwell presented the petition of citizens of Sangamon county, praying to be attached to Menard county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Kendall, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred a bill for “An act to incorporate the Kankakee and Iroquois Navigation Company;” reported the same back to the House, and asked to be discharged from its further consideration; when

On motion of Mr. Courtright,

The bill was referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Kendall, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for “An act for the relief of Thomas Lonergan,” reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

The bill was laid on the table for the present.

Mr. Whitcomb, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for “An act to provide for the equitable adjustment and payment of interest on certain bonds heretofore paid to the contractors on the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal,” reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Stewart, from the same committee, to which was referred the petition of the first Universalist Church of Chicago, reported the same back, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Weatherford, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize the sale of lands for a burial ground," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed.

Mr. Edwards, from the same committee, to which was referred a resolution of inquiry into the propriety of reducing the number and salaries of officers employed on the line of the canal, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Green, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred the bill for "An act supplementary to 'An act creating the county of Massac,' from Pope and Johnson counties," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Green, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to define the duties of administrators," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill, as amended, referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act concerning evidence in certain cases;"

"An act to authorize Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes;"

"An act for the relief of Richard Dougherty, of Schuyler county,"

"An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island;"

"An act to regulate the fees of the clerks of the circuit courts in case of naturalization of foreigners," and

"An act defining the boundaries of McHenry county."

The Senate have refused to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendment to "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,'" and have refused to concur with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act authorizing William Kinney to pay his indebtedness to the State in State bonds or scrip."

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred the petition of citizens of La Salle county, reported the same back with a bill for "An act to locate a State road from La Salle to Juliet Grove;" which was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Blair, also, from the same committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county," reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill as amended,

Ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Blair, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county to assess the rates of toll on a certain bridge therein named," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was concurred in.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Loy, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to locate a State road therein named," reported the same back to the House and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title of the bill be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Smith of Crawford, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act to re-locate the county seat of Carroll county," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to, the bill was then read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives, that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act to appoint a board of auditors to settle the accounts with R. F. Barret, late Fund Commissioner," as amended.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

And that they have refused to order to a third reading House bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills as correctly engrossed, to wit:

"An act to establish Cumberland county;"

"An act to incorporate academies and seminaries of learning;"

"An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school fund;"

"An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice, and for other purposes;"

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 23, 1839;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Chicago Hydraulic Company.'"

And as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to authorize the canal commissioners to pay the back percentage on section 187;"

"An act in relation to the county seat of Jackson county;"

"An act authorizing a change in a State road in Morgan county;"

"An act for the relief of McHenry county;"

"An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford county;"

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act concerning a town plat therein named,' approved Feb. 17, 1841;" also,

Preamble and resolution in relation to certain plates.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Engrossed bill for "An act to establish Cumberland county," was read the third time by the title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Haley, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the bill for "An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren, to that of Boston," reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Madden, from the committee on Elections, to which was referred the petition of citizens of Mercer county, praying a change in the manner of voting from *viva voce* to ballot, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Madden, also, from the same committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was concurred in.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of sundry physicians of Shawneetown, praying a law regulating the practice of medicine, &c., made a report at length upon the subject; which was read; and also, reported a bill for "An act to incorporate the Illinois State Medical Society;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause, and inserting the following:

"That no physician, surgeon, or lawyer, shall hereafter be entitled to sue for, or recover by action at law, his or their fees for services rendered as such physician, surgeon, or lawyer."

On motion of Mr. Brown of Pike,

The report, bill, and proposed amendment were laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Anderson and Bibbens, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Bradley, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Buscy, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Hicks, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Norris, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, and Whitten—55.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Danner, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for the regulating of county treasuries and county funds," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to change the times of holding the circuit court in Richland county," reported the same back, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Anderson, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of Whiteside county, praying the chartering a company for improving the navigation of Rock river, and for other purposes, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the accompanying preamble and resolutions upon the subject of State indebtedness, and requesting the Governor to ascertain the amount of such indebtedness, and report thereon to the next session of the General Assembly.

And that they have concurred in the passage of a bill for "An act authorizing Wm. Kinney to pay his indebtedness to the State, in State bonds or scrip."

Mr. Bailhache, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to the penitentiary," reported the same back, with amendment; when the bill and proposed amendment were referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Bailhache, from the select committee to which was referred certain matters relative to the penitentiary, and a bill for "An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary," reported the bill back, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to enable the inhabitants of incorporated townships to dissolve their incorporations;"

"An act in relation to the bridge across Shoal creek, in Clinton county;"

"An act to incorporate the Monticello Female Seminary;"

"An act amending the several acts relating to attachments;"

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Springfield;"

"An act to refund to Daniel B. Bush, certain moneys wrongfully paid into the treasury;"

"An act changing the name of the town of Harrisburg, in Whiteside county;"

"An act to legalize certain proceedings of the trustees of schools for township thirty-three north, range three east, and for other purposes;"

"An act to authorize John T. Davis, and his associates, to build a mill-dam on Saline creek, in Williamson county;"

"An act to prohibit the reception of depreciated paper in payment of public dues," and

"An act concerning the sixteenth section, township one south, range five west, lying in the counties of Washington and Clinton."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, the following bills, to wit:

"An act to authorize Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes;"

"An act concerning evidence in certain cases;"

"An act for the relief Richard Dougherty, of Schuyler county;"

"An act defining the boundaries of McHenry county;"

"An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island;"

"An act to regulate the fees of the clerks of circuit courts, in case of naturalization of foreigners."

A message from the Senate by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal;"

"An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, justice of the peace for De Witt county," and

"An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county."

Mr. Blakeman, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for certain purposes therein named," reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

On motion of Mr. Blakeman,

Senate bill for "An act in relation to the penitentiary," was taken up, read the first and second times by the title, and referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Bibbens, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act making an addition to the county of Kendall," reported it back, with an amendment, which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Madden and Woodworth, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McMillan, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Wilson—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bryant, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Epler, Flanders, Fowler,

Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Miller, Penn, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Tackerberry, Thompson, Weatherford, Wheat, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—42.

Mr. Tackerberry asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Manning.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Abram Vandegrift and others," reported the same back, and recommended its passage; the bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Cloud, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices and probate justices of the peace and constables," reported the same back, without amendment; when,

On motion of Mr. Starne,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Compton, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of Gideon Slinker, praying relief, reported a bill for "An act for the relief of Gideon Slinker;" which was read the first time, when,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The bill was laid on the table.

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The bill for "An act to amend 'An act to establish circuit courts,'" was taken up, read the third time, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Wilson,

The title was amended, so as to read "An act to regulate the times of holding circuit courts in the fourth judicial circuit."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Weatherford asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Green.

Mr. Courtright, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for "An act authorizing Vermilion and Iroquois counties to sell certain lands, and make certain payments to Champaign county, and for other purposes," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Courtright, also, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to legalize the assessment of property in the counties of Iroquois and Will," reported the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Davis of Williamson, from the select committee to which was referred "An act to authorize William T. Ryburn, and Byrd T. Ryburn, to build a mill-dam across Muddy river," reported an amendment to the same; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Dickinson, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for the purposes therein named," reported an amendment to the same; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McClelland,

The bill was amended by adding the following section, viz:

"SEC. This act shall not become a law, except with the consent of a majority of the voters of said city, which consent shall be ascertained by election as in other cases, and except with the consent in writing of the county commissioners' court of Gallatin county, under the corporate seal of said court."

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Ervin, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of the town of Macomb, in McDonough county, praying a repeal of the act incorporating said town, reported the same back, and was discharged from its further consideration.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate respectfully to request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate a bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts, which the Senate had refused to order to a third reading.

Mr. Garrett, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named," reported it back, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that said bill be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act for the relief of McHenry county;"

"An act to regulate the fees of clerks of the circuit courts in case of naturalization of foreigners;"

"An act for the relief of Richard Dougherty, of Schuyler county;"

"An act concerning evidence in certain cases;"

"An act to authorize Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes;"

"An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford county;"

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act concerning a town plat therein named,' approved Feb. 17, 1841;"

"An act authorizing a change in a State road in Morgan county;"

"An act in relation to the county seat of Jackson county;"

"An act to authorize the canal commissioners to pay the back percentage on section 187;"

"An act defining the boundaries of McHenry county;"

"An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island;"

"An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, justice of the peace for De Witt county;"

"An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal;"

"An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county."

Mr. Gobble, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of Macoupin county, praying the passage of a law allowing John Graham to vend groceries without license, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Gregg, from the select committee to which was referred a report and resolutions of the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina, on the subject of federal relations and the tariff, made a report at length upon the subject, accompanied with resolutions.

When the report was adopted, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Glass, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—71.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, and Yates—37.

On motion of Mr. McClermand,

Resolved, That the Clerk be instructed to return to the Senate, according to their request by resolution, the bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts."

Mr. Hambaugh, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to change the name of the person therein named," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Hanson, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for a State road from David Wright's in Iroquois county, to Portland, in Cook county," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Hick, from the select committee to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Calvin Gould," reported the same back, and recommended its passage; when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Horney, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of sundry citizens of Schuyler county; praying a reduction of the rate of interest, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Hickman, from the select committee to which was referred a resolution enquiring into the expediency of expending the moneys therein expressed, in the improvement of the Sangamon river, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

Mr. Horney, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff of Schuyler county, also, late sheriff and collector of Schuyler and Brown counties," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The amendment was amended by adding the following:

"*Provided*, that said sheriff and collector be required to execute to the county commissioners' court, a bond with approved security, for the faithful performance of the duties required by this act, before proceeding to collect said taxes;" when the amendment proposed by the committee, as amended, was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Howard, from the select committee to which was referred petitions praying a change of the location of the Darwin and Charleston turnpike road, reported a bill for "An act to provide for a change and relocation of a part of the Darwin and Charleston turnpike road;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by striking out the word "shall" where it occurs twice in the third section, and inserting the words "may, if they think proper;" when

On motion of Mr. Vandever,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Jonas, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act supplemental to the act creating to the county of Marquette," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment.

Mr. Wheat moved the indefinite postponement of the bill and proposed amendment; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Jonas and Garret, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Miller, Norris, Owen, Sharp, Shirley, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Stockton, Thompson, and Vinyard—41.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county;”

“An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary;”

“An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county to assess the rates of toll on a certain bridge therein named;”

“An act to provide for the equitable adjustment and payment of interest on certain bonds heretofore paid to the contractors on the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal.”

Also, as correctly enrolled, the following, to wit:

“An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, justice of the peace for De Witt county;”

“An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county;”

“An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal.”

Mr. Kuykendall, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for “An act granting a ferry to Thomas Eagan,” reported the same back, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Mr. Kuykendall, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for “An act to authorize S. Copeland to establish a ferry across the Ohio river, in Johnson county,” reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The title was amended by striking out the word “Johnson,” and inserting the word “Massac.”

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Langworthy, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of Simeon Kinney, praying an addition to the ferry at Peru, reported the same back, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Menard, for Mr. Loy, from the select committee to which was referred a petition on the subject, reported a bill for “An act to authorize Isaac Gordon to build a mill-dam;” which was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. McBride, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for “An act concerning the mode of issuing licenses in the State,” reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Madden, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the Coltonville Steam and Hydraulic Manufacturing Company," reported the same back, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act for the relief of McHenry county;"

"An act for the removal of the county seat of Crawford county;"

"An act defining the boundaries of McHenry county;"

"An act to authorize Calvin Boyd and James Shepherd to collect certain taxes;"

"An act to regulate the fees of clerks of circuit courts, in cases of naturalization of foreigners;"

"An act concerning evidence in certain cases;"

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act concerning a town plat therein named,' approved Feb. 17, 1841;"

"An act authorizing a change in a State road in Morgan county;"

"An act in relation to the county seat of Jackson county;"

"An act to authorize the canal commissioners to pay the back percentage on section 187;"

"An act for the relief of Richard Dougherty, of Schuyler county;" and

"An act to change the name of Portland, in Cook county, to the name of Blue Island."

Mr. Miller, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to locate a State road from Lewistown, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask its concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Miller, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend 'An act declaring Spoonriver a navigable stream,'" reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Mr. Miller, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act in relation to the taxes of Fulton county, for the year 1839," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Mitchell, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for the purposes therein named," reported the same back, with amendments; which were agreed to, when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Nesbit, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer," and the Senate's amendments thereto, reported the same back to the House, and recommended that the House do not concur with the Senate in their amendments to said bill; when the House refused to concur with the Senate in the said amendments.

Mr. Shirley, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to provide for the removal of the seat of government," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Aldrich,

The bill was indefinitely postponed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Hick and Ficklin, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Eppler, Ewing, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Wilson, and Yates—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bell, Blair, Brinkley, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Miller, Penn, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—43.

Mr. Starr, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act for the benefit of the county of Marquette, and for other purposes," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Mr. Horney moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "Adams," and inserting the word "Hancock;" which was not agreed to; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Tackerberry, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of Pekin, reported, in conformity with the prayer of said petition, a bill for "An act to repeal the twenty-first section of an act entitled 'An act to amend the incorporated powers of the town of Pekin, and to provide for the election of an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Pekin precinct,'" which was read the first time and the second and third times by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Vinyard, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act regulating the sale of property by

execution," reported the same back, and recommended its passage; when,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

It was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

Resolved, That the committee on the Judiciary, to whom was referred the report of the select committee in relation to Fund Commissioner's office, be directed to cause said report to be printed forthwith.

Mr. White, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning estrays,' approved February 9, 1835," reported it back, without amendment, the bill was read third time, and,

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Scott, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act for the benefit of the persons therein named," reported the same back, with an amendment; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Vinyard, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend 'An act in relation to free negroes, mulattoes, servants, and slaves,' in force January 17, 1827," reported sundry amendments to said bill; when said bill and amendments were informally laid aside for the present; when

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the bill for "An act to define the boundaries of Menard county," reported the same back and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act concerning revenue," reported the same back and recommended its passage; when the bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill for "An act in relation to common schools," was taken up.

Mr. Dubois demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

Mr. Gobble presented the petition of citizens of Morgan county, praying the formation of a new county out of parts of the counties of Greene, Morgan, and Macoupin; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Whitcomb presented the petition of Crawford and Hervey, praying relief; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

Referred to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois," and

"An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river, at Rockford."

The Senate have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase school lands therein, and for other purposes," with amendments. In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Blakeman,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on ordering to be engrossed for a third reading the bill for "An act in relation to common schools,"

Mr. Collins moved to amend the bill by adding the following to the 1st section:

"*Provided*, that all the money which shall be raised under the provisions of this act, within the limits of any school district, shall be expended for the support of schools within the said district, and for no other purpose; and that all taxable property lying within the State shall be subject to the provisions of this act."

Mr. Brinkley moved to lay the bill and proposed amendment on the table.

Mr. Browning moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Collins, it was not agreed to.

The question arising on ordering the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dubois and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Cushman, Dauner, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Nesbit, Sharp, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kociner, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris,

Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Thompson, Vance, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—60.

Mr. Howard moved that the House re-consider the vote just given on refusing to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading; which was agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Browning, Logan, and Bailhache be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The bill for "An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase the school lands therein, and for other purposes," and the amendments of the Senate thereto, were taken up, and the amendments of the Senate read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Dollins, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred the bill for "An act to define the duties of certain officers, and for other purposes;" reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

Mr. Arnold moved to refer the bill to the committee on the Judiciary which was agreed to.

Mr. Simms moved that the House proceed to the consideration of the orders of the day; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Wheat moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to return to the House of Representatives the bill for "An act for the benefit of the county of Marquette," and for other purposes.

Mr. Wheat demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

Mr. Turner moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The question arising on the adoption of the resolution offered by Mr. Wheat, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Nesbit and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Blair, Brinkley, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—55.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lock-

ard, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wilson, and Yates—52.

The committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act making an addition to the county of Kendall;”

“An act supplemental to ‘An act creating the county of Massac from Pope and Johnson counties;’”

“An act for the purposes therein named;”

“An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren, to that of Boston;”

“An act for a State road from David Wright’s, in Iroquois county, to Portland, in Cook county;”

“An act for the purposes therein named;”

“An act concerning attorneys and counsellors at law;”

“An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county.”

Mr. Cloud presented the remonstrance of citizens of Morgan county, against any division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Glass presented the remonstrance of 863 citizens of Macoupin county, against any division of said county; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Ames presented the petition of citizens of Boone county, relative to the northern boundary of Illinois; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ames, Gregg, and Jonas be that committee.

Mr. Dickinson presented the petition of citizens of Monroe and Randolph counties, in relation to abolitionism; which was read, and on his motion, referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Dickinson, Danner, and Koerner be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The bill making appropriations for the year 1843 and 1844 was made the special order for this evening, 2 o’clock, P. M.

Mr. Ficklin presented the petition of citizens of Coles and Champaign counties, praying the establishment of a new county; when,

On motion of Mr. Busey,

It was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Busey, Ficklin, and Nesbit be that committee.

Mr. Spicer, from the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, to which was referred the report of the Auditor, Treasurer, and Secretary of State, in relation to the State House commissioner’s accounts, the communication of A. G. Henry, one of the State House commissioners on the same subject, made a report at length upon the subjects referred; which was, without reading, laid on the table.

Mr. Spicer, also, reported a bill for “An act to provide for a final settlement between the State House commissioners and the State;” which was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to repeal the charter of the Bank of Cairo," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was concurred in.

Ordered, that the bill be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Starne and Blair, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Brown of Pike, Browning, Graves, Harper, and Menard—8.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," with an amendment.

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion,

The Senate's amendment to the bill for "An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the Senate bill for "An act for the benefit of minor heirs," reported the same back and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Ficklin, from the same committee, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act requiring officers to issue and execute process," reported the same back and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to a third reading.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Madden, from the committee on Elections, to which was referred a bill for "An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middletown precinct, in McDonough county," reported the same back and recommended that the House do not concur in the Senate's amendment to said bill; which report was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred a resolution of enquiry, in conformity with said resolution, reported a bill for "An act relating to the State Treasury;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title.

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the 4th section of the bill by striking out the words "and also to obtain the residue of the three per cent. fund;" when,

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on Finance.

Mr. Hatch, from the committee on Education, to which was referred the bill for "An act to provide for the apportionment of school moneys in Cook county, for the year 1842, and for other purposes," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to; when the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Nesbit, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred sundry communications from the Public Printer, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from their further consideration.

Mr. Woodworth, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred a communication from the President of the canal board, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. Woodworth, also, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the passage of fish over Green's dam," reported the same back, and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Woodworth, from the same committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act to incorporate the La Salle County Mutual Fire Insurance Company," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to; when the bill was read the third time by the title and passed.

On motion of Mr. Woodworth,

The title was amended so as to read "An act to incorporate the La Salle County Mutual Fire Insurance Company."

Ordered, That the titles be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to reduce the public debt one million of dollars, and to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation," as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The amendments to said bill were taken up, read, and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act for purposes therein named," reported the same back, with an amendment; which was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time by the title; when,

On motion of Mr. Dollins,

It was laid on the table.

Mr. Jackson of McHenry, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred petitions of citizens of Iroquois and Will counties, praying the establishment of a new county, reported the same back, and was discharged from their further consideration.

On motion of Mr. Courtright,

The petitions and remonstrances were withdrawn.

Mr. Thompson, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named," reported an amendment to said bill.

Mr. Menard moved to amend the amendment as follows:

"*Provided*, the said dog shall have trial by said jury, and be assigned able counsel and clergy, before he shall be deprived of life, limb, or liberty."

Mr. Hanson moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to; when the bill was

Ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Thompson and Blair, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bishop, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Court-right, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dougherty, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—73.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Dickinson, Douglas, Dubois, Haley, Hambaugh, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Menard, Sharp, Shirley, Starne, Tackerberry, White, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—29.

When the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Mr. Turner moved to amend the title by adding "and for the protection of sheep;" which was agreed to.

Mr. Dubois moved to further amend the title by adding "and to diminish the number of dogs;" which was not agreed to.

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Whitcomb, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the petition of Crawford and Hervey, reported, in conformity with the prayer of said petition, a bill for "An act to provide for the allowance and payment of interest on money due the contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal;" which was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The bill was re-committed to the committee on Canal and Canal Lands.

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An concerning the mode of issuing licenses in this State;"

"An act to authorize Wm. T. Ryburn and Byrd T. Ryburn to erect a mill-dam across Big Muddy river;"

"An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff for Schuyler county, also, late sheriff and collector for Schuyler and Brown counties;"

And, also, as correctly enrolled, acts of the following titles:

"An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;"

"An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois;"

"An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase the school lands therein;"

"An act to reduce the public debt one million of dollars, and to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation."

Mr. Smith of Crawford, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act permanently to locate the countys eat of Whiteside county," reported the same back to the House, with an amendment; which was agreed to; when the bill, as amended, was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Mr. Jonas, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the town of Manchester, in Scott county," reported an amendment to the same; which was agreed to; and the bill read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in the said amendment.

Mr. Marshall, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the Astoria Milling and Manufacturing Company," reported the same back and recommended its rejection; when the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed.

Senate bill for "An act to amend 'An act regulating the interest on money,' approved Feb. 28, 1833, and to amend the act for organizing and maintaining common schools, approved Feb. 26, 1841;" was read the second time.

Mr. Browning moved that the bill be referred to the committee on the Judiciary; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dubois and Weatherford, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Danner, Ewing, Garrett, Gobble, Graves, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Penn, Pratt, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Whitcomb, White. Woodworth, and Yates—45.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bishop, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Da-

vis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Vance, Vandevceer, Weatherford, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—54.

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Howard,

The rule of the House was dispensed with, and the bill for "An act to provide for a change and re-location of a part of the Darwin and Charleston turnpike;" was taken up, read, and

Ordered to be engrossed.

The bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844," being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

Mr. Norris moved that the House re-consider the vote given some days since on fixing the per diem allowance of members of the General Assembly at four dollars per day.

Mr. Hicks demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

Mr. Jonas asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Menard.

On motion of Mr. Glass,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on re-considering the vote fixing the per diem allowance of members, it was not sustained, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Cloud and Turner, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Turner, Vandevceer, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Wilson, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Edwards, Ervin, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Woodworth—55.

Mr. Simms moved that the House re-consider its vote on fixing the per diem allowance of the Secretary of the Council of Revision at two dollars per day; which was agreed to.

Mr. Courtright moved to fix the compensation at four dollars per day; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Lawler moved to fix it at three dollars per day; which was agreed to.

Mr. Vance moved that the House re-consider its vote on fixing the salary of the Attorney General at one thousand dollars; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ames moved to fix the fees of the Secretary and Assistant Secretary of the Senate, the Clerk and Assistant Clerk of the House, at six dollars per day; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Blair,

That portion of the bill making allowance for the Secretary of State, was amended by inserting the following:

"And for making index to the journals of the Senate and House of Representatives, and laws, for copying laws and making marginal notes and index to laws, the sum of six hundred dollars."

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The compensation of the Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, and the Door-keeper and his assistant, of the House, was fixed at the sum of four dollars per day each.

Mr. Miller moved to fix the compensation of Enrolling and Engrossing clerks of the Senate and House of Representatives at six dollars per day; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Lawler moved five dollars per day; which was not agreed to; when

On motion of Mr. Ames,

It was fixed at the sum of four dollars per day.

Mr. Murphy moved the assistant Enrolling and Engrossing clerks be allowed each the sum of four dollars per day; which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The fees of the assistant Enrolling and Engrossing clerks were fixed at the sum of three dollars per day.

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

The per diem allowance of the Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives was fixed at the sum of six dollars per day.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The travelling fees of the Speakers of the Senate and House of Representatives was fixed at the sum of six dollars for every twenty miles.

Mr. Nesbit moved to fix the mileage allowance of the members of the General Assembly at two dollars for every twenty miles.

Mr. Turner moved to fix the mileage fees at four dollars; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The bill was amended by adding the following, viz:

To J. S. Rogers, thirty-one dollars and twelve cents, for services rendered, and articles furnished the State.

To S. M. Tinsley & Co., three hundred and forty dollars and eighty-seven cents, for articles furnished the State.

To J. Bunn, two hundred and three dollars and twelve cents, for candles furnished the State.

To Hiram Wood, one hundred and ten dollars and twenty-five cents, for repairing furniture, and fitting up House for General Assembly.

To Wallace and Diller, thirty-two dollars and fifty-six cents, for articles furnished the State.

To C. C. Phelps, ninety dollars, for three dozen fancy chairs, for General Assembly.

There shall be allowed to John Carlin, the sum of two dollars per day, for his services in the office of the Secretary of State, during the present session of the General Assembly; the number of days to be certified by the Secretary of State.

To V. Hickox, three hundred and eighty-one dollars and seventy-four cents, for carpet for Senate Chamber, and other articles furnished the State.

To E. B. Pease and Brother, fifteen dollars and sixty-nine cents, for articles furnished for the State.

To Michael McNamara, for five month's wages in preparing wood for General Assembly, and for other articles furnished for the State, one hundred and twenty-five dollars.

To John Donahue, sixty dollars for three month's wages in preparing wood for General Assembly.

To James Crawford, twenty dollars for one and one-third month's wages in preparing wood for the General Assembly.

To Virgil Hickox, for services rendered as clerk to the board of auditors in investigating the accounts of the former State House commissioners' twenty-five dollars.

To H. E. Bridge & Co., three hundred and six dollars and eighty-seven cents, for balance due for stoves, &c., furnished prior to the last Legislature, and allowed by the board of auditors.

To Smith and Cram, eleven hundred and sixty dollars and seventy-seven cents, being the balance remaining unpaid as allowed by the board of auditors, for articles furnished in the construction of the State House.

To Stratton and Seymour, five hundred and seventy-three dollars and twenty-nine cents, for stoves and pipes purchased by former State House commissioners and allowed by the board of auditors.

To S. Levering, assignee of Birchell and Johnson, three hundred and sixty-three dollars and sixty cents, for binding journals and reports of the session of 1840-41 for Secretary's office.

To John Von Horn, thirty dollars for making a statistical map of the State, for the districting committee.

To J. Hutchinson, for coffin, for Hon. John Green, ten dollars.

To A. D. McGraw, for funeral expenses of Hon. John Green, seventy-four dollars.

To Henry Keane, for medical attendance on Hon. John Green, the sum of fifteen dollars and eighty-seven cents.

To Betts and Frazer, for medical attendance on Hon. John Green, thirteen dollars and fifty cents.

To James M. Brown, four dollars and thirty-two cents, for taxes wrongfully paid into the State treasury.

To Robert L. Arnold, of Sangamon county, the sum of twenty-three dollars and twenty-nine cents, for damages sustained by him, because of the failure of the State House commissioners to furnish him with lading from St. Louis to Springfield, as per contract.

Mr. Marshall moved to fix the fees of copyists at three dollars per day.

Mr. Cloud moved four dollars; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by adding the following:

To Benjamin Kellogg, for his services as clerk of the committee on the contested election from Peoria county, at session of 1840, twenty dollars.

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the bill by adding.

To S. J. Sherwood, the sum of one hundred and twenty-nine dollars, for surveying instruments furnished on the canal line.

Mr. Starne moved to lay the amendment on the table; which was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the proposed amendment, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Anderson, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Edwards, Epler, Garrett, Glass, Goble, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Murphy, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bell, Bishop, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, and Wilson—54.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The bill was amended by adding the following:

To D. B. Campbell, five dollars for administering the oath required by the constitution to the members of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Wheat moved the following amendment to the bill:

"The Secretary of the board of canal commissioners shall, immediately after the passage of this act, make out a certified account of any balances that may be due any of the present or former commissioners of the Illinois and Michigan canal, and upon the presentation of such accounts to the Auditor of Public Accounts, he shall issue his warrant upon the treasurer for such balance so certified to be due to such commissioner."

Mr. Simms moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was further amended, as follows:

To John Dawson, five dollars for swearing in the Senators at the session of 1840, and the same amount for swearing in the members of the Senate at the session of 1842.

Mr. Vandever having moved previously to lay said amendment on the table; but which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hicks,

An allowance of four dollars was made to Jarvis Pierce for serving one day as Assistant Door-keeper.

Mr. Gregg moved further to amend the bill by allowing to the Senators whose seats were vacated by resolution, the same per diem allowance as are allowed to the members; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Bailhache moved to amend that portion of the bill in relation to the penitentiary, so as to give the inspectors of the penitentiary a compensation not exceeding one thousand dollars for the years 1843 and 1844; which,

On motion of Mr. Starne,

Was postponed temporarily.

Mr. Arnold moved the following amendment:

"To S. M. Tinsley & Co.,	-	-	-	-	\$23 01
To H. S. Austin,	-	-	-	-	33 00
To S. J. Sherwood,	-	-	-	-	129 00
To J. S. Roberts,	-	-	-	-	21 25
To L. S. Cornwall,	-	-	-	-	16 00
To J. Hough,	-	-	-	-	10 63
To Chicago Americani	-	-	-	-	40 50
To C. B. Deriemer & Co.,	-	-	-	-	8 75
To Jos. Oliver,	-	-	-	-	35 87½
To John Hay,	-	-	-	-	30 62½
To S. & J. Galbraith,	-	-	-	-	10 38
To H. E. Bridge & Co.,	-	-	-	-	9 79
To John Stark,	-	-	-	-	70 00
To Wm. T. Brown,	-	-	-	-	112 05"

Being the claims mentioned in schedule B., in report of board of auditors, under the act of February 26, 1841, dated February 7, 1843, &c., reference being had to said report.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The proposed amendment was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Arnold, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Gobble, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Yates—70.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Brown of Pike, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dougherty, Glass, Graves, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of McHen-

ry, Miller, Nesbit, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—21.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The vote taken on filling the mileage of the Speaker with "six dollars," was re-considered; when,

On motion,

The blank was filled with "four dollars."

Mr. Starne moved to amend the bill by allowing to the inspectors of the penitentiary two dollars per day each; *Provided*, it does not exceed one hundred and fifty dollars each per year; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill was amended by striking out that part in relation to the penitentiary.

Mr. Ficklin moved a call of the House. Pending the call,

Mr. Weatherford, from the select committee to which was referred a petition of citizens of Lynnville, reported a bill for "An act to authorize the owners of real estate in the corporation of Lynnville to vote for the purposes therein named;" which was read the first time, and the second and third times by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title of the bill be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

On the question—"Shall the appropriation bill be engrossed for a third reading?" it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brown of Pike and Blair, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Burklow, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dougherty, Edwards, Ervin, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Murphy, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Bailhache, Bishop, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Yates—50.

Mr. Hanson moved the previous question, on ordering the Senate bill for "An act to amend 'An act regulating the interest on money,' approved February 28, 1833, and to amend the act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools, approved February 26, 1841," to be read the third time; which was not sustained, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Kuykendall and Davis of Williamson, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibbens, Bishop, Canady, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Mitchell, Nesbit, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Starne, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitten, and Woodworth—44.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Danner, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Whitcomb, White, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—55.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by adding the following:

“Provided, that all penalties provided for by laws now in existence, for the taking of or agreeing to take a greater rate of interest than twelve per cent., are hereby repealed, and the creditor shall in all cases receive his principal and interest at the rate of six per cent., and no more;” which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Kuykendall and Ewing, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dougherty, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, and Turner—50.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hatch, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stockton, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Mr. Sharp moved the following amendment to the bill:

“The county commissioners’ courts in the several counties of the State, together with the school commissioners, may, by a vote of the said board, which shall be recorded by the county commissioners’ clerk among the records of the said court, prescribe the rate of interest, which shall be taken on debts due, or to become due, to the school fund within their respective counties; and to alter the same as they may deem for the best interest

of the same; *Provided*, that they shall not raise the same above twelve per cent. per annum, nor reduce the same below eight per cent. per annum."

Which was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Madden and Sharp, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bishop, Blair, Blake-man, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Cloud, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Howard, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Woodworth—65.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Ervin, Ewing, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Sharp, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, White, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—34.

Mr. Browning moved to add the following proviso:

"*Provided*, that the provisions of this law, so far as they relate to the interest on the school, college and seminary fund, shall not be applicable to the counties of Adams, Du Page, and Cook, but in said counties the rate of interest on the school, college and seminary fund, shall be twelve per cent. per annum, as heretofore."

Mr. Brown of Sangamon moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of the following bills:

"An act fixing the times of holding the courts in the eighth judicial circuit;"

"An act to define the line between McLean and Woodford counties;"

"An act for the better security of State, county, and township funds;"

"An act to provide for the distribution of the interest upon the school, college and seminary fund to new counties."

And have also concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills, with amendments, to wit:

"An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone and James W. Noble;"

"An act to define the bounds of Boone county;"

"An act to provide for the sale of public property, and the payment of the public debt;"

"An act to provide for the payment of the interest on the school, college and seminary fund."

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Bryant, from the committee on Enrolled Bills, reported that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to reduce the public debt one million of dollars, and to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;"

"An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county, to purchase the school lands therein;"

"An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois;"

"An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation."

Mr. Wilson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to repeal the charter of the Bank of Cairo;"

"An act to provide for a change and re-location of a part of the Darwin and Charleston turnpike."

Also, as correctly enrolled, "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river, at Rockford;" when

The House adjourned.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Weatherford, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the bill for "An act to provide for allowance and payment of interest on money due the contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal," reported the same back to the House, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Brinkley presented the petition of citizens of Hamilton county, praying for the probate law to be so amended as to compel the probate to keep his office at the county seat; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Brinkley, Hicks, and Dollins be that committee.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

The revenue bill was made the special order of the day for this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Senate bill for "An act to amend 'An act regulating the interest on money,' approved Feb. 28, 1833, and to amend the act making provisions for organizing and maintaining common schools, approved Feb. 26, 1841," came up for consideration.

The question being on the motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon, made some days since, to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning to said bill on the table,

Mr. Howard moved a call of the House. Pending the call,

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the third judicial circuit;"

"An act for the relief of persons who have made improvements on lands near the line of the Illinois and Michigan Canal;"

"An act to confirm the acts of John J. McGraw, justice of the peace for DeWitt county;"

"An act to provide for the permanent location of the county seat of Winnebago county;"

"An act to enable the inhabitants of school townships in Hancock county to purchase the school lands therein;"

"An act to re-locate so much of the State road as lies between Springfield and Peoria, in the State of Illinois;"

"An act to reduce the public debt one million of dollars, and to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation;"

"An act to put the Bank of Illinois into liquidation."

Mr. Anderson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bishop during the remainder of the session.

On motion of Mr. Jackson of Whiteside,

Resolved, That this House condemn, with the strongest censure, the unjust attack of the editor of the Alton Telegraph, G. T. M. Davis, on G. M. Hanson, one of the Representatives from Coles county on this floor.

Resolved, That this House consider such an attack as unmanly, false, and scandalous.

Resolved, That this House entertains a high opinion of the ability and honesty of George M. Hanson, and that they have seen nothing in his conduct which savours of religious hypocrisy or political treachery, and that they believe him to be an honest and consistent man.

Resolved, That this House considers the attempt of the editor of the Telegraph to create a feeling of distrust in the minds of his (Mr. Hanson's) constituents, to gratify the personal and unfounded malice of the editor.

Mr. Arnold, from the select committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend the charter of the city of Chicago," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to; when the bill was read the third time and passed, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The title was amended so as to read "An act supplemental to 'An act to open a new street in the city of Chicago, and for other purposes.'"

Ordered; That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the city of Peoria," reported amendments thereto; which were agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

Mr. Murphy, also, from the same committee, in conformity with the prayer of a petition of citizens of Lee county, reported a bill for "An act to incorporate the Dixon Bridge Company;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844;"

"An act to repeal the charter of the Bank of Cairo."

"An act to provide for a change and re-location of a part of the Darwin and Charlestown turnpike road."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in their amendment to a bill for "An act to incorporate the town of Winchester, in Scott county."

The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill for "An act declaring Spoon river a navigable stream."

I am directed herewith to return to the House of Representatives a bill for "An act for the benefit of the county of Marquette, and for other purposes," in pursuance of their request.

I am further directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named," with amendments.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on laying the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning, to the interest bill, on the table, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Cloud, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Flanders, Glass, Haley, Hick, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Lawler, McClelland, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitten, and Wilson—41.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Dickinson, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Miller, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—60.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the proposed amendment by inserting after the word Cook, the following, to wit:

"Boone, Sangamon, Winnebago, Jersey, Logan, Mason, Menard, Marquette, Peoria, Greene, Union, Jo Daviess, Calhoun, Kane, Macoupin, McHenry, Whiteside, Henry, Rock Island, Ogle, Brown, Washington, Champaign, Fulton, Tazewell, Woodford, Henderson, Knox, Pike, Mercer,

Crawford, Schuyler, Madison, McDonough, Macon, Piatt, Vermilion, Stephenson, Carroll, Scott, and Clinton."

Mr. Brinkley moved to lay the bill and proposed amendments on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Howard and Logan, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Epler, Garrett, Graves, Hambough, Harper, Hatch, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, White, and Whitten—48.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Arnold, Bibbens, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—57.

When the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan, to the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning, was agreed to.

Mr. Turner moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Browning, as amended, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brown of Pike and Weatherford, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Graves, Hambough, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pratt, Sharp, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Bryant, Burklow, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hanson, Hicks, Howard, Lawler, Lockard, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Mitchell, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Woodworth—48.

When the House refused to order said bill to a third reading.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, reported a bill for "An act declaring the Shicarty a navigable stream;" which was read the first and second times by its title, and read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act relating to the State Treasury," reported the same back, with amendments, when the first and second amendments were agreed to.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the third amendment, proposed by the committee, by substituting the following:

"The Governor shall take the necessary steps to procure from the United States the amount of the three per cent. fund now due the State, which, when received, shall be added to the school, college, and seminary fund, and then paid into the treasury; upon which said three per cent. fund the State shall hereafter pay interest, as upon the school, college, and seminary fund heretofore borrowed by the State;" which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Browning, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cloud, Davis of Bond, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stockton, Turner, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Blair, Brinkley, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Koerner, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Wilson—54.

Mr. Blair moved to amend the said third amendment, by substituting the following:

"The Governor shall take such steps as shall be necessary to procure the three per cent. fund which is now due, or which may hereafter become due, from the United States, and deposite the same in the treasury, and the Treasurer is hereby required to distribute the same, when received, among the several counties in this State, according to the white population under twenty years of age, in each county respectively;" which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Jonas, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Andersen, Bell, Blair, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Doug-

las, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Gobble, Hanson, Koerner, Lawler, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Manning, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, White, and Wilson—42.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Edwards, Epler, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, McClermand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Sharp, Shirley, Starr, Stockton, Turner, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—61.

Mr. Sharp moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

The question being on the third amendment proposed by the committee on Finance, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and McClermand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bryant, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Edwards, Flanders, Gregg, Hannaford, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, McBride, McClermand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Murphy, Sharp, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—27.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hicks, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stockton, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—75.

The question then arising on ordering the bill to be engrossed for a third reading, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClermand and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Edwards, Ervin, Garrett, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stockton, Turner, and Weatherford—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Bryant, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Lawler, McClernand, Manning, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Mr. Turner moved that the House re-consider its vote given on the passage of a bill for "An act for the benefit of the county of Marquette, and for other purposes."

Mr. Wheat demanded a call of the House; when,

On motion,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

The bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Lonergan," was taken up.

Mr. Arnold moved its indefinite postponement; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Menard and Ewing, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Bryant, Caldwell, Canady, Compton, Cushman, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Marshall, Mitchell, Norris, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Wilson, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Bell, Burklow, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Flanders, Gregg, Hambaugh, Horney, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Penn, Scott, Thompson, Turner, Vance, White, and Whitten—34.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, accompanied by the resignation of James Shields, Auditor of Public Accounts; which were read, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Laid on the table.

Mr. Arnold moved that the House re-consider its vote on refusing to order to be engrossed the bill for "An act relative to the treasury;" which was agreed to.

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839, and an act supplementary to

said act, approved March 18, 1839," being the special order of the day, came up for consideration.

The question being on the amendment proposed by Mr. Dollins, as amended.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

It was further amended by adding the words, "and until the next regular session of the General Assembly."

Mr. Browning moved to amend the amendment, by striking out all after the word "provided," and inserting the following:

"That the ten per cent. tax authorized to be collected by the provisions of an act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of interest on the public debt," approved Feb. 27, 1841, when collected and paid into the Treasury, shall be kept separate and apart from other funds in the Treasury; shall be under the control and at the disposal of the Governor, and shall be by him applied to diminishing the State debt, in such manner as in his judgment shall seem best calculated to promote that end, and shall report to each session of the Legislature his application of said fund."

Mr. Turner moved to lay the proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Menard, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Blair, Bone, Brinkley, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Murphy, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—42.

The question recurring on the amendment, as amended, it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Dollins, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Blair, Bone, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Murphy, Pickering, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—41.

Mr. Cochran moved to amend the bill by inserting the following, between the words "each" and "to," in the eighth line of the twenty-first section:

"The collectors of the several counties shall hereafter be allowed two dollars for every forty miles necessary to be travelled in going to, and returning from the seat of government, for the purpose of paying over the State revenue; which sum shall be paid out of the State treasury; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ervin,

The bill was amended by adding the following to the fifth section:

"*Provided*, that nothing in this act, or in any other law of this State, shall be so construed, as to require any person or persons to list lands with the assessor, unless he or she has a clear and undisputed title to the same, but in all such cases, the land so listed, shall be listed by the assessor in the name of the the person or persons to whom it is patented, or in the name it was entered.

"*Provided further*, that persons owning lands may list the same in sections, half sections, or other legal sub-divisions, notwithstanding they may have been purchased in smaller tracts."

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. That all persons aggrieved by the assessment of assessors in any county of this State, the assessments of which have been legalized by the Legislature during this session, and who were deprived of the opportunity of taking an appeal from such assessment, by reason of such assessments having been illegally made, or not returned in proper time, may appeal to the next June term of the county commissioners' court, for the purpose of having the said assessment investigated and regulated.

Mr. Cochran moved to amend the bill by adding the following to the twelfth section:

"The collectors of the several counties shall hereafter pay over all county orders, collected by them for the payment of taxes, to the county commissioners at each term of said court."

Mr. Lawler moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

The amendment proposed by Mr. Cochran was then agreed to.

The question arising on ordering the bill to be engrossed,

Mr. Koerner moved a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The bill for "An act to define the boundaries of Boone county," and the Senate amendments thereto, were taken up; the amendments were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question arising on ordering the revenue bill to be engrossed; it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Lawler, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Blair, Bone, Brinkley, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—54.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Canady, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gregg, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Norris, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Tackerberry, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, and Yates—51.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles, viz:

“An act to authorize Isaac Gordon to build a mill-dam;”

“An act to authorize S. Copeland to establish a ferry across the Ohio river, in Massac county;”

“An act authorizing the building of a bridge across Rock river;”

“An act to attach a part of La Salle county to the county of Marshall;”

“An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the fourth judicial circuit;”

“An act to authorize the county commissioners of Fulton county, to collect certain moneys therein named;”

“An act permanently to locate the county seat of Woodford county;”

“An act to repeal the ninth section of ‘An act for the formation of the county of Woodford;’”

“An act to change the name of Georgetown, in Kendall county;”

“An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county;”

“An act in relation to the county of Adams;”

“An act for the relief of the late collector of Du Page county;”

“An act for the relief of the collector of Pope county;”

“An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;”

“An act regulating election precincts in the city of Chicago;”

“An act to change the name of the person therein named,” and

“An act entitled ‘An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia to lease part of the common appertaining to the village of Cahokia.’”

They have concurred with the House of Representatives in their amendment to the bill for "An act to permanently locate the seat of justice of Whiteside county."

They have concurred in the passage of the House bill for "An to improve the navigation in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company," as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

A message from the Senate by Mr. Wynne, a Senator:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the following resolution.

In the adoption of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring herein, That the two Houses will meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives on Thursday next, at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing an Auditor of Public Accounts, in place of James Shields, resigned.

On motion of Mr. Anderson,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Governor and Auditor of Public Accounts be and they are hereby authorized and required to settle with the present Fund Commissioner, John D. Whiteside, in relation to his dealings as such Fund Commissioner, without delay, and report the result to the General Assembly.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

The bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844," was taken up for consideration.

Mr. Dollins moved to amend that portion of the bill making appropriation for Assistant Enrolling and Engrossing Clerks, by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "four;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the bill by adding the following section:

"That John B. Weber shall be and he is hereby appointed to make out a new set of "tract books," to contain an entry of all the appropriated land in this State, leaving spaces for land to be hereafter entered; and also, a record of all the town lots in this State, with a description of the same, to supply the place of the books now in the Auditor's office, and which are already filled with entries. And the said John B. Weber shall make the said "tract books," and perform the service aforesaid, under the supervision of the Auditor, and shall be allowed the sum of _____ dollars per day, for each day necessarily employed in said service, to be certified by the Auditor; and the Auditor shall issue his warrant upon the treasury, in favor of the said John B. Weber, for the amount of his compensation so ascertained, as in other cases;" which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The blank in said amendment was filled by inserting the word "two."

The bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Engrossed bill for "An act for the relief of the school commissioner of Pope county," was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

The amendments of the Senate to the bill for "An act to improve the rapids in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company," was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The bill for "An act for the re-organization of the militia of the State of Illinois," coming up for consideration,

Mr. Logan moved its indefinite postponement; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dollins and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Compton, Danner, Dennis, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Howard, Jonas, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Owen, Penn, Smith of Crawford, Tackerberry, and Wilson—35.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Bussey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Nesbit, Norris, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Stockton, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—63.

When, on motion of Mr. Cochran,

Said bill was made the special order of the day for to-morrow evening, at 7 o'clock.

When the House adjourned.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hannaford obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bryant, for the remainder of the session.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Fund Commissioner, John D. Whiteside, Esq., in relation to his actings and doings whilst in office; which was read, with the accompanying documents.

Mr. Koerner moved that the report and documents be laid upon the table and printed for the use of the House; which was agreed to.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, and laid before the Council of Revision, bills of the following titles:

"An act to provide for the distribution of the interest upon the school, college, and seminary fund to new counties;"

"An act to define the boundary line between the counties of McLean and Woodford;"

"An act fixing the times of holding the courts in the eighth judicial circuit;"

"An act to amend 'An act declaring Spoon river a navigable stream;'"

"An act for the better security of State, county, and township funds;"

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to open a new street in the city of Chicago, and for other purposes;'"

"An act to incorporate the Coltonville Steam and Hydraulic Manufacturing Company;"

"An act in relation to the taxes of Fulton county, for the year 1839."

An act to repeal the 21st section of an act entitled "An act to amend the incorporate powers of Pekin, and to provide for the election of an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Pekin precinct;"

"An act to locate the State road from Lewiston, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county;" and

"An act to legalize the assessment of property in the county of Iroquois and Will."

Mr. Browning, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to common schools," reported an amendment thereto; which was read and agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Ames moved that the rule be dispensed with, and that the bill be now read a third time by its title; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Brinkley and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dougherty, Dubois, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, and Yates—65.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Brinkley, Compton, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ficklin, Horney, Hunsaker, Lawler, Loy, McClernand, Madden, Marshall, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—27.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act relative to the penitentiary," reported an amendment thereto; which was not agreed to.

Ordered, that the bill be read a third time.

The bill was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Senate by the Mr. Nunnally, a Senator.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to authorize the building of a bridge over the Picatonica river, in Stephenson county;"

"An act to incorporate the town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes," and "An act to establish Cumberland county;"

The Senate have refused to concur with the House of Representatives in the passage of a bill for "An act for the purposes therein named."

The Senate have passed a bill for "An act to authorize a settlement with Macalister & Stebbins, and further to diminish the State debt."

In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act to reduce the number of officers upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal, as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

I am further directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in their amendment to a bill for "An act to confine justices of the peace to their respective districts," as amended by them.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved a bill of the following title, to wit:

"An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across Rock river, at Rockford."

They have, also, directed me to inform the House of Representatives that they have rejected "An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors, and administrators, and the settlement of estates,' approved Jan. 23, 1829," and ordered the same to be returned to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, with the following objections.

They have, also, rejected "An act to regulate weights and measures;" and ordered the same to be returned, with the following objections.

They have rejected "An act to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county," and ordered it to be returned, with the following objections.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported the following bills, as correctly enrolled.

"An act to permanently locate the county seat of Woodford county;"

"An act to define the bounds of Boone county;"

"An act to change the name of the town of Georgetown, in Kendall county;"

"An act to authorize Isaac Gordon to build a mill-dam;"

"An act to authorize S. Copeland to establish a ferry across the Ohio river, in Massac county;"

"An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county;"

"An act to improve the navigation of the rapids in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company;"

"An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to open a new street in the city of Chicago, and for other purposes;' "

Mr. Horney, from the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, to to whom was referred the bill for "An act to simplify the laws of Illinois, and bring them within the comprehension of all," reported an amendment thereto; when,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill and proposed amendment were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The bill for "An act to regulate weights and measures," together with the objections of the Council of Revision thereto, were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

The bill for "An act for the benefit of the county of Marquette, and for other purposes," coming up for consideration,

Mr. Wheat demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The Senate's amendments to a bill for "An act to appoint a board of Auditors to settle the accounts with R. F. Barret, late Fund Commissioner," were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Manning,

The bill for "An act to make the laws published by Stephen F. Gale evidence in courts of justice, and for other purposes," was read the third time by its title and passed.

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

The title was amended so as to read "An act to compile and publish, in one volume, the laws of Illinois,"

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Garrett,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on re-considering the vote given by the House, on passing the bill for "An act for the benefit of the county of Marquette, and for other purposes," it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Wheat and McClernand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Sharp, Shirley, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—59.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Thompson, Weatherford, and Yates—39.

On motion of Mr. Wheat,

The bill was indefinitely postponed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Jonas and Garrett, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Wilson, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—64.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Logan, Menard, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Thompson, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Yates—39.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill for "An act relative to the State treasury," was taken up for consideration.

Mr. McClernand moved to amend the bill by striking out the 4th section and inserting the following:

"That it shall be the duty of the Auditor of Public Accounts, to ascertain the amount of interest which has been paid upon an amount of school, college, and seminary fund, equal to \$335,592 32, which amount was added to the school, college, and seminary fund, out of the moneys received by this State, under the act of Congress entitled "An act to regulate the deposits of the public money," by a previous law of this State, and that the Auditor shall charge the school, college, and se-

minary fund with the amount of interest so ascertained, and paid; and that all moneys now received and on hand, or hereafter to be received by this State, under the ordinance of Congress, stipulating for the payment of the three per cent. of the nett proceeds of the sales of the public lands in this State, to the State, shall be applied from time to time, as the same shall be available for the reimbursement of the said sum, ascertained as aforesaid to have been paid upon the aforesaid sum of \$335,592 32, in discharge of interest thereon; which said moneys received, and now on hand, and the moneys hereafter to be received under said ordinance, together with the amount of moneys due this State under the provisions of an act of the Congress of the United States, passed Sept. 4, 1841, directing the distribution of the proceeds of the sales of the public lands among the States, when made available, shall be paid into the treasury of this State, to be receipted for as aforesaid, out of which said moneys thus received and paid into the treasury, the Treasurer is hereby required to pay all warrants which now are or may hereafter be issued, on account of interest due on the school, college, and seminary fund for the year 1842."

Mr. Arnold moved to amend the amendment as follows, by striking out all of said amendment after the word "that," and insert "the Governor of this State is hereby authorized to take all such steps as may be necessary to obtain the residue of the amount of the three per cent. fund; which moneys, together with that portion of the three per cent. fund already received, when so received, shall be added to the school fund of this State, and shall be paid into the treasury of this State, out of which said moneys, together with the amount to be received by this State from the United States, under the provisions of an act to divide the proceeds of the public lands, passed Sept. 4, 1841, the Treasurer is hereby required to pay all warrants thereafter issued, or which may have been issued theretofore, on account of interest due on the school, college, and seminary fund for the year 1842;" which amendment was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and McClernand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blake-man, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Ervin, Ewing, Glass, Graves, Haley, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Owen, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Tackerberry, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Danaer, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitten, Wilson, and Mr. Speaker—49.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. McClernand, it was decided in the negative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Dubois and Browning, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibbens, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Collins, Court-right, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Flanders, Gregg, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, McCler-nand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Murphy, Vinyard, Wheat, Whit-ten, and Mr. Speaker—28.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Brown-ing, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Doug-las, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McDonald of Cal-houn, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Whit-comb, Wilson, Woodworth, and Yates—71.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, report-ed that they had this day laid before the Council of Revision, for their ap-proval, bills of the following titles:

“An act supplemental to an act entitled ‘An act to open a new street in the city of Chicago, and for other purposes;’”

“An act to define the bounds of Boone county;”

“An act to authorize Isaac Gordon to build a mill-dam;”

“An act to change the name of the town of Georgetown, in Kendall county;”

“An act to authorize S. Copeland to establish a ferry across the Ohio ri-ver, in Massac county;”

“An act to permanently locate the county seat of Woodford county;”

“An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county;”

“An act to improve the navigation of the rapids in Rock river at Rock-ford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hy-draulic and Manufacturing Company.”

When the House adjourned until 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Engrossed bill for “An act to extend the limits of Cass county,” coming up for consideration,

Mr. Gobble moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the enact-ing clause, and inserting a new bill.

Mr. Yates demanded a call of the House.

Mr. Haley obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stockton.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

Mr. Yates moved to amend the substitute proposed by Mr. Gobble, by adding, as follows:

“*Provided*, that the votes polled as aforesaid, shall be polled for and against the county of Benton, in separate columns on the poll books, an

also for and against the addition of the territory proposed to be added to Cass county, in separate columns, and that if either of the aforesaid divisions of Morgan county shall receive a majority of the legal voters of Morgan county, it shall be stricken off from said county of Morgan.

"And provided further, that the votes of the said county of Morgan, shall be polled without reference or connection of the one division with the other; and the addition of the three miles to Cass county shall in no wise depend upon the vote given for the division on the south in favor of Benton county, and the division on the south shall in no wise depend on the vote given for or against the addition of the three miles to Cass county.

"And provided further, that until the next census, if the county of Morgan shall be divided in either of the modes proposed, that in that event, the county of Morgan, as bounded after such division, shall vote separately and alone, and not in connection with the division or divisions which may be stricken off, for such a number of Representatives as she may be entitled to by the population she may retain after such division, and if she shall have a fraction unrepresented, over and above the number of Representatives to which she should be entitled as aforesaid, then the people of Morgan shall vote with the portion or portions of said county which may be stricken off for such additional Representative.

"And provided further, that the people of Morgan county, residing in the bounds of said county, as the same may be bounded after the division aforesaid, shall alone, and without connection with the portion or portions which may be stricken off, vote for all the county officers of said county."

Mr. Murphy moved to lay the amendment proposed by Mr. Yates on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Yates and Menard, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ewing, Gobble, Hannaford, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, McMillan, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Whitecomb, and Whitten—43.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dubois, Edwards, Ficklin, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Tackerberry, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—60.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Yates, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Yates and Browning, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blakeman, Brown of Pike,

Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Dubois, Ervin, Garrett, Glass, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Nesbit, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Starr, and Yates—24.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Bone, Brinkley, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—80.

The substitute proposed by Mr. Gobble was then agreed to; when the bill passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Weatherford and Yates, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Arnold, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Cloud, Cushman, Danner, Dubois, Gregg, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Miller, Pickering, Starr, Tackerberry, Wheat, Woodworth, and Yates—30.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The title was amended so as to read a bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Benton, and for other purposes."

Ordered, That the title of the bill be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bills as correctly enrolled, to wit:

"An act for the relief of the collector of Pope county;"

"An act to attach part of the county of La Salle to the county of Marshall;"

"An act to incorporate the Coltonville Steam and Hydraulic Manufacturing Company;"

"An act to establish Cumberland county;"

"An act to regulate the time of holding circuit courts in the fourth judicial circuit;"

"An act to incorporate the town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named;"

"An act authorizing the building of a bridge across Rock river;"

"An act to locate a State road from Lewistown, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;"

"An act to repeal the ninth section of 'An act for the formation of the county of Woodford;'"

"An act to authorize the building of a bridge over the Picatonica river, in Stephenson county;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia, to lease part of the common appertaining to the village of Cahokia.'"

The committee also reported the following, as correctly engrossed:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and to legalize the assessment of property, in the county of La Salle, for the year 1841."

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third times by their titles and passed.

"An act to authorize the sheriff of Shelby county to sell non-resident lands for taxes due for 1841;"

"An act to authorize Alfred Brown, Woster Ives, and their associates, of Whiteside county, to alter or change the channel of Rock creek;"

"An act to incorporate the Naperville Cemetery Association;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,' approved July 21, 1837."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to establish seven Congressional districts."

That they have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act in relation to the assessment of taxes in St. Clair county;"

"An act concerning negroes and mulattoes escaping from their masters;"

"An act to incorporate the Grand de Tour Manufacturing Company," and

"An act in relation to the sixteenth section, township one south, range one west, in the county of Washington."

The bill for "An act relative to the State treasury," coming up for consideration."

Mr. Ficklin moved to amend the bill by striking out of the fourth section all that part relating to the reception of the three per cent fund; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Blair, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Blair, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Cushman, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Picklin, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, White, and Mr. Speaker—41.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sang., Browning, Busey, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Flanders, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Pratt, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—56.

When the House refused to order the bill to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Manning and Davis of Williamson, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bone, Bryant, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Horney, Jonas, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Pratt, Starr, Stewart, Turner, Weatherford, Whitcomb, and Woodworth—45.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Cochran, Compton, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ewing, Picklin, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—55.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have refused to concur with them in the passage of bills following titles:

“An act to provide for a final settlement between the State House Commissioners and the State,” and

“An act to authorize Price H. Howell and John Hodgson to build a mill-dam.”

Engrossed bill for “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act concerning the public revenue,’ approved February 26, 1839, and to legalize the assessment of property in the county of La Salle, for the year 1841,” was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Owen,

The title was amended by adding "and to provide a remedy when certificates of the purchase of land for taxes have been lost."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Anderson moved that the House re-consider its vote on refusing to order to be engrossed the bill for "An act relative to the State treasury;" which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Arnold,

The bill was amended by striking out all which relates to the reception of the proceeds of the sales of public lands due to the State of Illinois, under the act providing for the distribution of proceeds of public lands.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the fourth section by adding the following:

"The said three per cent. fund to be first added to the school, college, and seminary fund, and loaned to the State."

Mr. McClernand demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Senate's amendment to the bill for "An act to reduce the number of officers upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Sharp,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Secretary of State be authorized to furnish the binder with paper for fly leaves for book binding for the State.

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question arising on the amendment offered by Mr. Browning,

Mr. Ames moved the previous question; which was agreed to; when

Mr. Browning's amendment was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Lawler, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Cloud, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Vance, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—47.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Blair, Brinkley, Busey, Caldwell, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Ordered, That the bill be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Browning and Logan, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Edwards, Epler, Flanders, Gregg, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Howard, Jonas, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Owen, Sharp, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Woodworth—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Fowler, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hinton, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, McClermand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Menard, Norris, Penn, Pickering, Scott, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Vandever, Wheat, White, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—50.

Engrossed bill for "An act to incorporate the Lamoille Agricultural and Mechanical Association," was read the third time; when the bill was amended,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

By adding the following section:

"SEC. The stockholders hereby incorporated shall be liable in their private property for all corporate debts."

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was further amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. The Legislature reserves the right to change, alter, or modify this act whenever, in its opinion, the public good requires it;" the bill then passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Engrossed bill for "An act for the relief of John Wood," was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. McClermand,

The bill was amended by adding the following:

"*Provided*, that the Governor and Auditor shall be authorized to settle with the late State House Commissioners, upon the principles of justice and equity, and if any balance shall be found against the said State House Commissioners, the said commissioners shall be allowed to discharge the same in State liabilities.

Provided further, that the Governor and Auditor shall in like manner settle with William Kinney, late railroad commissioner, and shall in like manner receive from him and his securities, State liabilities in discharge of any balance which is due from them."

Mr. Simms moved that the bill and amendment be laid on the table; which was not agreed to; when the bill passed as amended, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Simms and Turner, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell,

Canady, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Menard, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—75.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Dolins, Douglas, Ewing, Horney, Kuykendall, Miller, Mitchell, Scott, Sharp, Simms, Spicer, Vandever, White, and Woodworth—20.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The House bill for "An act to provide for the sale of the public property, and for the payment of the public debt," as amended by the Senate, was taken up for consideration.

On his demand the amendments of the Senate to said bill were considered separately.

The amendment of the Senate proposing a relinquishment of the right of way on the Northern Cross Railroad, west of the Illinois river, was considered, and not concurred in.

That in relation to the lease of the mills at Carmi and New Haven was next considered, and not concurred in.

The amendment relative to the publication of notices was agreed to.

That in relation to the termination of said Northern Cross Railroad on the Illinois river, being under consideration,

The House adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Dubois presented the proceedings of Lawrence county, relative to the valuation law; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third times by their titles, and passed, viz:

"An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Fountain Green precinct, in Hancock county;"

"An act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Morgan Institute;'"

"An act to locate a State road from Wm. Brown's, jr., in St. Clair county, to Nashville, in Washington county;"

"An act to incorporate the Chicago Turnpike Company;"

"An act to exempt the property of colleges and common schools from taxation for a limited period;"

"An act to authorize and direct the Secretary of State to receive and preserve geological specimens, and for other purposes;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Chicago Hydraulic Company;'"

"An act to incorporate academies and seminaries of learning;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 23, 1839," and

A bill for "An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county to assess the rates of toll on a certain bridge therein named."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bill for "An act to provide for the equitable adjustment and payment of interest on certain bonds heretofore paid to contractors on the line of the Illinois and Michigan canal," was read the third time, and

"An act for the relief of John Hodges, William Class and others, securities of Jesse J. McLendan, former collector of Alexander county."

And bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

"An act to compensate Joseph C. Harrison, for the apprehension of Thomas Johnston, a fugitive from justice;"

"An act to amend 'An act for the relief of insolvent debtors,' approved January 12, 1829;"

"An act in relation to clerks of circuit courts."

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bill for "An act for the relief of Thomas Mather, Samuel H. Treat, and others," was read the third time; when

Mr. Logan moved to amend the bill by inserting the words, "Warren, Henderson, Washington, Adams, Jersey, Madison, Pope, Hardin, Clinton, Tazewell, Ogle, Logan, Mason, Coles, Henry, Rock Island, Whiteside, Lee, Clark, McDonough, Morgan, Randolph, Lawrence, Winnebago, Menard, and Du Page."

Mr. Ames moved to amend the amendment by adding the words "and all other counties in the State."

Mr. Cochran moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ewing and Blakeman, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Brinkley, Burklow, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ficklin, Fowler, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—54.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cushman, Dennis, Dougherty, Dubois, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Jackson, of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Pratt, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, White, Wilson, and Yates—46.

Engrossed bill for "An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school fund," was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Pike,

The title was amended by adding the words, "in the township therein named."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Engrossed bill for for "An act for the purposes therein named," was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Garrett,

The title was amended, so as to read "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating mills and millers,' approved Feb. 9, 1827."

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit;

"An act for the distribution of the interest upon the school, college, and seminary funds to new counties;"

"An act to define the boundary line between the counties of McLean and Woodford;"

"An act fixing the times of holding the courts in the eighth judicial circuit;"

"An act to amend 'An act declaring Spoon river a navigable stream;'"

"An act for the better security of the State, county, and township funds;"

"An act to permanently locate the county seat of Woodford county;"

"An act to locate the permanent seat of justice of Mercer county;"

"An act to authorize Isaac Gordon to build a mill-dam;"

"An act to change the name of the town of Georgetown, in Kendall county;"

"An act to authorize S. Copeland to establish a ferry across the Ohio river, in Massac county;"

"An act to define the boundaries of Boone county," and,

"An act to improve the navigation of the rapids in Rock river, at Rockford, in the county of Winnebago, and to incorporate the Rockford Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company."

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, that they have laid before the Council of Revision, for their approval, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia to lease part of the common appertaining to the village of Cahokia;'"

"An act authorizing the building of a bridge across Rock river;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named;"

"An act to authorize the building of a bridge over the Picatonica river, in Stephenson county;"

"An act to regulate the time of holding circuit courts in the fourth judicial circuit;"

"An act to incorporate the Coltonville Steam and Hydraulic Manufacturing Company;"

"An act to repeal the ninth section of 'An act for the formation of the county of Woodford;'"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;"

"An act to incorporate the town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes;"

"An act to locate a State road from Lewiston, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county;"

"An act to attach part of the county of La Salle to the county of Marshall;"

"An act to establish Cumberland county," and

"An act for the relief of the collector of Pope county."

Engrossed bills of the following titles were severally read the third time by their titles and passed.

"An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county;"

"An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff of Schuyler county, also, late sheriff and collector of Schuyler and Brown counties;"

"An act to authorize William T. Ryburn and Byrd T. Ryburn to erect a mill-dam across Big Muddy river;"

"An act supplemental to 'An act creating the county of Massac from Pope and Johnson counties;'"

"An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary;"

"An act for a State road from David Wright's, in Iroquois county, to Portland, in Cook county;"

"An act concerning attorneys and counsellors at law;"

"An act for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to provide for a change and re-location of a part of the Darwin and Charleston Turnpike;"

"An act making an addition to the county of Kendall;"

"An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county."

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bills.

Engrossed bill for "An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren, to that of Boston," was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Haley,

The title was amended by striking out the word "Boston," and inserting "Berwick."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Engrossed bill for "An act concerning the mode of issuing licenses in this State," was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The title was amended so as to read "An act in relation to the Kaskaskia and Mississippi Railroad Company."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Brinkley presented the petition of citizens of Jefferson county, against any change of the relief law; which, without reading, was,

On motion of Mr. Turner,

Laid on the table.

Senate bills of the following titles were severally read the third time and passed:

"An act to extend the limits of Bond county;"

"An act supplemental to 'An act for the sale of certain lots therein named,' approved Feb. 26, 1841;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act for the re-survey of the lower town of Carlyle, in Clinton county;'"

"An act to vacate part of a State road in Peoria;"

"An act in relation to burying grounds, church yards, and lands used by literary institutions;"

"An act to authorize John Vanfleet to build a dam across Fox river;"

"An act concerning corporations;"

"An act to correct the record of the plat of the town of Charleston, Peoria county, and to change the name thereof;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the sales of the saline lands in Bond county,' " as amended by the House.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate of the passage of said bills and amendment, and ask their concurrence therein.

"An act to enable Henry Wigginton to establish a ferry on the Illinois river."

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act in relation to the Cumberland road," were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred the bill for "An act to repeal so much of 'An act to incorporate the city and Bank of Cairo as relates to the Bank of Cairo, and all other acts relative to the Bank of Cairo,'" reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to; the bill was then read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The title was amended, so as to read "An act in relation to the specie in the Bank of Illinois."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Logan, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize the building of a bridge across the Sangamon river," reported an amendment thereto;" which was read, and the bill was then read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize John M. Robinson and others to establish a ferry, and for other purposes," was read the third time.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to strike out all that portion of the bill relating to the establishing a ferry; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to lay the bill on the table; which was not agreed to; the bill then passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Kuykendall and Vinyard, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Comp-
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ton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Garrett, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Hickman, Howard, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McClernand, Madden, Mitchell, Norris, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vanderveer, Vinyard, White, Whitten, Wilson, and Yates—54.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Cloud, Cochran, Davis of Williamson, Dickinson, Epler, Glass, Gobble, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Menard, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Scott, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Thompson, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—32.

The resolution from the Senate, proposing that the two Houses of the General Assembly would meet in the Hall of the House of Representatives, on Thursday the second of March next, at 7 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of electing an Auditor of Public Accounts, *vice* James Shields, resigned, was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act regulating mill-dams in Vermilion county," was read the third time and passed, as amended by the House.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839," coming up for consideration,

On motion of McClernand,

The bill was amended by adding the following section:

"SEC. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to cause this act to be printed, and to transmit a copy to the clerk of the county commissioners' court of each county in this State."

On motion of Mr. Thompson,

The bill was amended, by adding the following section:

"SEC. 24. The county commissioners of each and every county in this State, are hereby authorized to dispose of the uncurrent funds that they may have on hand, in the treasury of their counties, to the best advantage." The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the titles be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Weatherford, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act to repeal certain laws," reported an amendment thereto, as a substitute.

Mr. Logan moved to amend the proposed amendment, by striking out the third and fourth sections, and inserting the following:

"SEC. 3. The Governor shall be, and he is hereby authorized, to settle with S. M. Tinsley & Co., and procure the surrender of their lease of said railroad, on such terms as he may deem just and equitable;" when,

On motion of Mr. Starne,

The bill and proposed amendments were referred to the committee on Finance.

Mr. McClelland, from the committee on Finance, to which had been referred sundry resolutions and petitions on various subjects, reported the same back to the House, and were discharged from their further consideration.

Mr. Turner, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to the county of Cass," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to, and the bill was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to provide for the settlement of the Oregon Territory, and for other purposes therein mentioned," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform House of Representatives that the Senate have passed bills of the following titles:

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

"An act to authorize county commissioners' courts to assess taxes for road purposes;"

"An act to change the name of a town, and for other purposes;"

"An act to incorporate the Tazewell County Farmers' and Mechanics' Company;"

"An act concerning certain sales of school lands in Effingham county;"

"An act to locate a State road from La Salle to Inlet Grove;"

"An act to authorize the owners of real estate in the corporation of Lynnville to vote for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to incorporate the La Salle County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

"An act authorizing the school commissioner of La Salle county to dispose of depreciated bank notes belonging to the school fund," and

"An act declaring a certain road therein named a State road, and for locating a State road from the east line of Mercer county to the town of Millersburg, in said county."

The Senate have refused to pass a bill for "An act to encourage the growth of wool, and for the protection of sheep."

They have concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills, as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, viz:

"An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835," and a bill for

"An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago, and for other purposes."

They have concurred with the House in their amendments to the bill for "An act to incorporate the city of Peoria."

I am further directed to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have amended a bill for "An act to incorporate the town of Win-

chester, in Scott county," so as to obviate the objections of the Council of Revision to the passage of said bill.

In which amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Enrolled and Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to change the name of the person therein named;"

"An act to repeal the twenty-first section of an act entitled 'An act to amend the incorporated powers of the town of Pekin, and to provide for the election of an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Pekin precinct;'"

"An act in relation to the county of Adams;"

"An act to legalize the assessment of property in the counties of Iroquois and Will;"

"An act to establish seven Congressional districts;"

"An act regulating election precincts in the city of Chicago;"

"An act in relation to the taxes of Fulton county for the year 1839;"

"An act for the relief of the late collector of Du Page county;"

"An act to appoint a board of auditors to settle the accounts with R. F. Barret, late Fund Commissioner;" and have laid the same before the Council of Revision.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to attach part of the county of Woodford to the county of Marshall;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839, and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839;"

"An act relating to the State treasury."

When the House adjourned.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Murphy, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act for the invasion of Canada," reported an amendment; which was not agreed to; when,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Koerner moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Senate be requested to return to this House the bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839,' and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839;" which was adopted.

Engrossed bill for "An act for the relief of William Manning, the collector of Shelby county," was read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate bill for "An act to authorise Alexander Johnson to build a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Lawler, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the bill for "An act to authorize Alfred Harris to establish a ferry across the Big Wabash river, in White county," reported an amendment; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed, as amended.

On motion of Mr. Lawler,

The title was amended so as to read "An act authorizing the building of a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river, in White county."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Owen, from the committee on Public Buildings and Grounds, to which was referred the report of the Secretary of State, and State Treasurer, in reference to their acts as *quasi* State House Commissioners, made a report at length upon the subject; which was read and laid on the table.

Mr. Owen, also, from the same committee, reported a bill for "An act making an appropriation to finish part of the State House;" which was read the first time and the second time by its title.

Mr. Ames moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

When the bill was ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Hannaford and Ficklin, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Cloud, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Edwards, Eppler, Garrett, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Harper, Hatch, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Woodworth, and Yates—56.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Blair, Bone, Brinkley, Burklow, Cochran, Compton, Court-right, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McBride, Marshall, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vinyard, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—44.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by inserting after the words "Secretary of State," the words "Auditor of Public Accounts."

The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to return to the House of Representatives a bill from the House for "An act concerning the public revenue," approved February 26, 1839, and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839, in pursuance of the request of the House.

And that they have passed a bill for "An act relating to docket fees."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act for the relief of William Manning, the collector of Shelby county."

Senate bill for "An act in relation to the streets running through outlots in the town of Vandalia," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's amendment to bills of the following titles were read and concurred in, viz:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society,' and

"An act to locate a State road therein named."

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act explanatory of an act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,' approved January 6, 1843, coming up for consideration."

Mr. Ficklin moved to lay the bill on the table.

Mr. McClernand moved a call of the House, after some time spent therein.

On motion of Mr. Ames,

Further proceedings under the call of the House, were dispensed with.

When the House refused to lay the bill on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Lawler and McClernand, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Murphy, Norris, Penn, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, and Yates—53.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill was laid on the table until the fourth day of July next, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Turner and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson,

Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, and Yates—51.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills:

“An act to authorize the building of a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river, in White county;”

“An act in relation to State bonds, and other evidences of State indebtedness;”

“An act providing a voluntary mode of registering births and deaths;”

“An act for the relief of the school commissioner of Pope county.”

And have refused to order to a second reading, a bill for

“An act in relation to common schools.”

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, a bill for “An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act concerning the public revenue,’ approved Feb. 26, 1839, and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839.”

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

“An act to locate a State road from Lewiston, in Fulton county, to Monmouth, in Warren county;”

“An act to attach part of the county of La Salle to the county of Marshall;”

“An act to repeal the twenty-fifth section of an act entitled ‘An act to amend the incorporated powers of the town of Pekin, and to provide for the election of an additional justice of the peace and constables in the Pekin precinct;”

“An act authorizing the county commissioners of Fulton county to collect certain moneys therein named;”

“An act authorizing the building of a bridge across Rock river;”

“An act to establish seven Congressional districts;”

“An act to change the name of the person therein named;”

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the supervisor of the village of Cahokia to lease part of the common appertaining to the village of Cahokia;'"

"An act for the relief of the collector of Pope county," and

"An act to authorize the building of a bridge over the Picatonica, in Stephenson county."

Engrossed bill for an act entitled "An act explanatory of act entitled 'An act regulating the sale of property on judgments and executions,' approved January 6, 1843," was read the third time.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The bill was laid on the table, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Lawler and Brown of Sangamon, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Court-right, Danner, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Gobble, Ham-baugh, Hanson, Hick, Hicks, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Cal-houn, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Owen, Pick-ering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burk-low, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Ed-wards, Ervin, Ewing, Garrett, Glass, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Yates—51.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to incorporate the Coltonville Hydraulic and Manufacturing Company;"

"An act to regulate the times of holding circuit courts in the fourth ju-dicial circuit;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Jackson county to borrow money for certain purposes therein named;"

"An act to repeal the ninth section of 'An act for the formation of the county of Woodford;'"

"An act to appoint a board of auditors to settle the accounts of R. F. Barret, late Fund Commissioner;"

"An act for the relief of the collector of Du Page county;"

"An act in relation to the taxes of Fulton county for the year 1839;"

"An act regulating election precincts in the city of Chicago;"

"An act to legalize the assessment of property in the counties of Iro-quois and Will," and

"An act in relation to the county of Adams."

Senate bill for "An act to provide for taking up, registering and cancelling of State bonds, and other evidences of State indebtedness," and

Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Matilda Powers," were read the first time, and the second and third times by their titles, and passed.

Ordered, That the titles be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Galena Manufacturing Company," was read the first time, and the second time by its title.

Mr. Ames moved to amend the bill, by striking out of the second section the words "and to give and receive promissory notes;" when,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The bill and proposed amendment were referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize a settlement with Macalister and Stebbins, and further to diminish the State debt," was read the first time, and the second time by its title; when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was referred to the committee on Finance.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Ordered, That the Clerk of the House return to the Senate the bill for "An act to amend certain acts concerning the public revenue."

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act to provide for the sale of the public property, and for the payment of the public debt," were taken up.

The question being on concurring with the Senate in their amendment, proposing to reserve the Northern Cross Railroad from the sale of public property.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The said amendment was amended by striking out all of the same, and inserting the following:

"The Northern Cross Railroad shall be sold, subject to the lien created in favor of the bonds issued for the completion of said road."

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

When the House adjourned.

THURSDAY, MARCH 2, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Wheat, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Galena Manufacturing Company," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Mr. Manning, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to authorize the levying a tax for school purposes in township eleven north, range one west, reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read a third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Mr. Hannaford, from the committee on Education, to which was referred the bill for "An act to incorporate the Juliet Seminary, and to elevate the primary schools in township thirty-five north, of range ten east, in Will county," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Ames, from the select committee to which was referred the petition of citizens of Boone county, relative to the northern boundary of Illinois, reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Mr. Tackerberry presented the petition of 305 citizens of Woodford county, against the location of the county seat of said county by commissioners; which, without reading, was referred to the committee on Counties.

Mr. Kuykendall, from the committee on Internal Improvements, to which was referred the bill for "An act for the completion of the Northern Cross Railroad," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill and proposed amendment were referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to authorize the sheriff of Shelby county to sell non-resident land for taxes," and

"An act to authorize Alfred Brown, Woster Ives, and their associates, of Whiteside county, to alter or change the channel of Rock creek."

The Senate have refused to order to a third reading a bill for "An act for the relief of John Wood."

They have concurred with the House of Representatives in the adoption of its several resolutions authorizing and requiring the Governor and Auditor of Public Accounts to make an immediate settlement with the Fund Commissioner, J. D. Whiteside, and authorizing the Secretary of State to furnish certain paper for books in process of binding for the State.

Mr. Kuykendall, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act concerning the navigation of Bonpas Creek, in Edwards county," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Browning, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to amend the charter of Quincy," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Calvin Gould," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read the third time by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Engrossed bill for "An act relative to the State treasury," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

Mr. Woodworth, from the select committee to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to pay over school money to the county of Kendall," reported the same back; when, on his motion, the bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Woodworth, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the bill for "An act for leasing water power on the Illinois and Michigan Canal," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

The bill was amended by adding the following:

"SEC. 2. Any settler on canal lands, who has not made his improvements previous to the 1st day of December, 1842, shall not be entitled to the pre-emption rights granted by the provisions of the act to which this is an amendment."

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Koerner, from the select committee to which was referred a petition relative to abolitionism, reported the same back, and was discharged from its further consideration.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act in relation to the penitentiary," reported an amendment thereto.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to amend the amendment proposed by the committee, by striking out the 1st section of the amendment.

Mr. Simms moved to lay the bill and proposed amendment on the table; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Penn and Thompson, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Canady, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lawler, Logan, Loy, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Turner, Weatherford, White, and Whitten—62.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Blair, Cloud, Cochran, Courtright, Cushman, Dennis, Dougherty, Gregg, Hambaugh, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Langworthy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Menard, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Scott, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—36.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following bills as correctly enrolled, to wit:

“An act to reduce the number of officers upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal;”

“An act providing a voluntary mode of registering births and deaths;”

“An act for the relief of William Manning, the collector of Shelby county;”

“An act to authorize the building of a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river, in White county;”

“An act to incorporate the La Salle County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;”

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society;’”

“An act concerning certain sales of school lands in Effingham county;”

“An act to incorporate the Tazewell County Farmers’ and Mechanics’ Company;”

“An act to authorize the owners of real estate in the corporation of Lynnvile to vote for the purposes therein named;”

“An act declaring a certain road therein named a State road, and for locating a State road from the east line of Mercer county to the town of Millersburg, in said county;”

“An act in relation to State bonds and other evidences of State indebtedness;”

“An act authorizing the school commissioner of La Salle county to dispose of depreciated bank notes belonging to the school fund;”

“An act to locate a State road from La Salle to Inlet Grove;”

“An act for the relief of the school commissioner of Pope county;”

“An act in relation to the Cumberland road;”

“An act to change the name of a town, and for other purposes.”

Mr. Browning, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for “An act to vest the estate of Edward Mlodzianowski, deceased, in Dennis Rockwell, in trust for the purposes therein named,” reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Dubois, from the committee on Claims, to which was referred a bill for “An act in relation to the school fund of Lawrence county,” reported the same back.

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the bill by inserting after the word “Wabash,” the word “Christian;” which was not agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred Senate bill for "An act to authorize a settlement with Macalister & Stebbins, and further to diminish the State debt," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Turner moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

Mr. Murphy demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with

The House then ordered the bill to a third reading, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Blair and Kuykendall, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Edwards, Ervin, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Howard, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Canady, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Epler, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hanson, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, and White—49.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Governor, stating that five hundred thousand dollars had been paid by the Bank of Illinois, and that the same would be produced in front of the State House, on Saturday next, at 2 o'clock P. M., for the purpose of being destroyed by fire, in the presence of the General Assembly; which was read, and,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Ficklin, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act appointing the Governor ex-officio Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Ficklin, from the same committee, to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace,' approved Dec. 29, 1826," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Ordered that the bill be engrossed.

Mr. Tackerberry, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred a bill for "An act to build a bridge across the Illinois river, at Pekin," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to, when,

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The bill was amended by striking out the words "Charles Ballance," and inserting the words "John H. Bryant."

Mr. McMillan moved to lay the bill on the table; which was not agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Tackerberry,

The title was amended so as to read, "An act supplementary to 'An act to permanently locate the county seat of Woodford county.'"

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in its passage.

On motion of Mr. Davis of Bond,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That John D. Whiteside, Esq., hand over to the Secretary of State, the bonds and coupons, examined, marked, and sealed by the joint select committee, appointed by both branches of the General Assembly, as stated per their report; that the Secretary cause said bonds to be registered, and produce them on Saturday, the 4th inst., at 2 o'clock P. M., in front of the State House, to be burned in presence of both branches of the General Assembly.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to incorporate the Rock River Bridge Company;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river," and

"An act to authorize John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith, and Charles McClure to build a mill-dam across Fox river."

The Senate have also concurred with the House of Representatives in the passage of bills of the following titles, with amendments.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

"An act amendatory of 'An act concerning the public revenue;'"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties;'"

The Senate have passed a bill for "An act for the relief of Jefferson McKinney."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the "Act to regulate weights and measures," with the objections of the Council of Revision thereto, reported an amendment to obviate said objections; which was agreed to.

The bill was then passed as amended.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

Mr. Cloud, from the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, to which was referred a bill for "An act to reduce the public expenses," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time by its title, and passed.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

The title was amended so as to read "An act concerning the school funds in Morgan and Macoupin counties."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill for "An act" together with the objections of the Council of Revision thereto, was taken up and referred to the committee on the Judiciary.

Mr. Collins, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act relating to schools in township thirty-five north of range twelve east, in Will county," reported the same back, and recommended its passage.

Mr. Browning moved to amend the bill by striking out all after the word "discharged;" when

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

The bill for "An act relating to schools in township thirty-five north, range twelve east, in Will county," came up for consideration.

The question being on the motion entered by Mr. Browning, this morning, to amend the bill by striking out all after the word discharged,

Mr. Collins demanded a call of the House, and after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

The question recurring on striking out all after the word "discharged," it was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate's amendments to a bill for "An act to incorporate the town of Winchester, in Scott county," made to obviate the objections of the Council of Revision, were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to consolidate the acts relative to the Auditor and Treasurer, and election of Attorney General,' approved March 2d, 1833," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Davis of Bond moved to take up the bill for "An act to repeal certain sections of an act entitled "An act incorporating the city of Nauvoo, in the county of Hancock,' approved Dec. 16th, 1840;" which was

agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Davis of Bond and Lawler, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bibbens, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Haley, Hickman, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Shirley, Simms, Starne, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Yates—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Bone, Browning, Burklow, Dubois, Garrett, Graves, Hambough, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Manning, Menard, Penn, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Whitcomb, and Mr. Speaker—41.

Mr. Starr, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following, as correctly enrolled, to wit:

“An act to define the boundary lines of Menard county.”

They, also, report the following, as correctly engrossed:

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace,’ approved Dec. 29, 1826.”

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for “An act to define the boundaries of Menard county,” and

“An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit,” as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have passed a bill for “An act to provide for the completion of the Northern Cross Railroad.”

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Logan moved that the rule of the House be dispensed with for the purpose of giving him an opportunity of making a report from a standing committee; which was not agreed to.

The bill for “An act to repeal certain sections of an act entitled ‘An act incorporating the city of Nauvoo, in the county of Hancock,’ approved Dec. 16, 1840,” coming up for consideration,

Mr. Smith of Hancock moved to add the following section to the bill:

“All laws, and parts of laws, providing for the incorporation of the cities of Alton, Quincy, Galena, Chicago, Springfield, and Nauvoo, shall be and the same are hereby repealed.”

Mr. Cloud moved the following as a substitute for the amendment offered by Mr. Smith of Hancock:

“All parts of acts of incorporations in this State, granting similar powers to those repealed in the Nauvoo charter, are hereby repealed;” which

was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. McClernand and Cloud, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner,^e Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—80.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Arnold, Bibbens, Browning, Dubois, Graves, Haley, Harper, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Owen, Pratt, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, and Whitcomb—17.

When the bill was ordered to be engrossed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs Kuykendall and McClernand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Haley, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McBride, McClernand, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Yates—66.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Browning, Collins, Cushman, Dougherty, Dubois, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Owen, Pratt, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vandever, Whitcomb, and Mr. Speaker—32.

A bill for "An act for the re-organization of the militia of the State of Illinois," coming up for consideration,

Mr. Browning moved that the bill be made the special order of the day for to-morrow evening, at 7 o'clock, P. M.; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ficklin moved to lay the bill on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Simms and Dollins, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Compton, Dennis, Dickinson, Dubois, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Harper, Hick, Hickman, Jonas, Kuykendall, Logan, McBride, McDonald of

Jo Daviess, Owen, Penn, Spicer, Starne, Tackerberry, Vandever, and Whitten—37.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Pratt, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—62.

Mr. Jonas moved that the bill be referred to the committee on the Militia; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

The rule was dispensed with, and the bill read the third time.

Mr. Thompson moved a call of the House; after some time spent therein, further proceedings, on motion of Mr. Ames, were dispensed with.

On the question—"Shall the bill pass?" it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Kuykendall and Ames, as follows, viz:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Arnold, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Busey, Cloud, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Fowler, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hanson, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, McClermand, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Pratt, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, and White—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Caldwell, Cochran, Dubois, Ewing, Ficklin, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Menard, Owen, Penn, Scott, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Tackerberry, Thompson, Vandever, Whitten, and Yates—40.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Pulaski," was read the first and second times.

Mr. Kuykendall moved to strike out the second and third sections, and inserting "Isaac Demint, Wm. Price, and Thomas Lackey, are hereby appointed commissioners to locate the county seat of said county;" which was not agreed to; the bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have refused to concur with the House in the

passage of a bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: The Senate have adopted the following resolution, to wit:
Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate respectfully request the House of Representatives to return to the Senate a bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844."

Senate bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to provide for transcribing certain records therein named,' approved Feb. 12, 1835," was read the first time and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Ordered, That the Clerk return to the Senate, at their request, the bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844."

Engrossed bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to extend the jurisdiction of justices of the peace,' approved December 29, 1826," was read the third time, when the House refused to pass the bill.

Senate bill for "An act for the relief of Jefferson McKinney," was read the first time, and

Ordered to a second reading.

A message from the Council of Revision by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act to define the boundary lines of Menard county;"

"An act to establish Cumberland county."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to incorporate the Rock River Bridge Company;"

"An act to authorize John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith, and Charles McClure, to build a dam across Fox river,"

"An act authorizing the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river."

And they have concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills, as amended by them.

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act prescribing the mode of summoning grand and petit jurors, and defining their qualifications and duties,'"

"An act to provide for the allowance and payment of interest and money due the contractors on the Illinois and Michigan canal," and

"An act amendatory of 'An act concerning the public revenue.'"

And they have passed bills of the following titles.

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives:

"An act to incorporate the Great Western Railway Company," and

"An act for the relief Jefferson McKinney."

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

Resolved, That the House adjourn until 7 o'clock, for the purpose of giving the door-keepers time to sweep out the House.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Resolved, That the Clerk inform the Senate that the House is now ready to receive that body, for the purpose of going into the election of an Auditor of Public Accounts, in conformity to a resolution of the two Houses.

Mr. Nesbit, from the select committee to which was referred the bill for "An act supplementary to an act to amend 'An act relative to criminal jurisprudence,' approved January 30, 1827," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The title was amended, so as to read "An act for the relief of William Warnick, late a collector of taxes in and for the county of Macon."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

The Senate, preceded by their Speaker, entered the Hall of the House of Representatives.

The two Houses then, in pursuance of a joint resolution of the two Houses, proceeded to the election of an Auditor of Public Accounts, in the place of James Shields, resigned.

Mr. Howard nominated Wm. Lee D. Ewing.

Mr. Murphy nominated Gholson Kercheval.

Mr. Ralston nominated Samuel Leech; whereupon,

Wm. L. D. Ewing received eighty-six votes.

G. Kercheval received nineteen votes.

S. Leech received eight votes.

Enoch Moore received seven votes.

Scattering one. Whereupon,

Wm. Lee D. Ewing, having received a majority of all the votes given, was declared by the Speaker duly elected Auditor of the State of Illinois, for the next two years.

Mr. Vandever, from the select committee to which was referred a bill for "An act for the settlement of Oregon territory," reported an amendment thereto; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Vance,

The bill was amended by inserting after the word "Christian," the word "Schuyler."

Mr. Vandever moved to amend the title.

When the House adjourned.

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House met pursuant to adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Vandever,

The title of the bill passed last evening for "An act for the settlement of the Oregon territory," was amended so as to read "An act to authorize the school commissioners of Schuyler and Christian counties to dispose of any depreciated bank paper in their possession."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate's amendments to a bill for "An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit," were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Lawler presented the petition of William Daniels and others, praying the remission of a fine; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Senate's amendments to a bill for "An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes,'" were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Loy presented the petition of citizens of Effingham county, praying the passage of a law relative to school lands in said county; which, without reading, was referred to a select committee.

Ordered, That Messrs. Loy, Shirley, and Lawler be that committee.

Senate's amendments to a bill for "An act to provide for the allowance and payment of interest and money due the contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal," were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Cochran,

The bill for "An act to amend the several acts concerning the fees and the compensation of the officers therein named," was taken from the table and placed among the orders of the day.

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act to locate a State road from Josephine to Knoxville," were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles. In the passage of which I am directed to ask the concurrence of the House:

"An act to change the times of holding courts in the fifth judicial circuit;"

"An act to locate a State road from St. Charles, in Kane county, to Rockford, in Winnebago county," and

"An act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the Sangamon river."

They have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act supplemental to 'An act creating the county of Massac from the counties of Pope and Johnson;'"

"An act in relation to the school fund of Lawrence county;"

"An act to provide for the payment of the interest on the school fund in the township therein named;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county, to assess the rates of tolls on a certain bridge therein named;"

"An act in relation to the Kaskaskia and Mississippi Railroad Company;"

"An act concerning attorneys and counsellors at law;"

"An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren, to that of Berwick;"

"An act in relation to the Supreme Court," and

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating mills and millers,' approved February 2, 1827."

And they have also concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act in relation to the State treasury," and

"An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844,"

With amendments, in which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844," were read and concurred in, except the amendment adding to the appropriation for the Attorney General four hundred dollars; which was concurred in, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Simms and Smith of Crawford.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Blair, Brinkley, Burklow, Bussey, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Danner, Dennis, Dougherty, Douglas, Graves, Gregg, Hannaford, Hick, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Langworthy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Owen, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—45.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Canady, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Scott, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Thompson, and Whitten—39.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Simms moved to amend said bill by adding "one dollar per day to the compensation of the Clerk of the Council of Revision."

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Dickinson,

The House re-considered the vote on concurring with the Senate in their amendment to a bill for "An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit," when,

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

Senate's amendment was amended, by striking out all of the first section after the word "Boone," and inserting, "In the county of Henry, on the second Monday after the commencement of the court in the county of Lee.

"In the county of Mercer, on the Fridays after the commencement of the court in the county of Henry.

"In the county of Rock Island, on the Thursdays after the commencement of the courts in the county of Mercer.

"In the county of Whiteside, on the second Mondays after the commencement of the court in the county of Rock Island.

"In the county of Carroll, on the Mondays after the commencement of the courts in the county of Whiteside."

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in said amendment.

Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago, and for other purposes," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act relating to the State treasury," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Logan, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred the bill for "An act to repeal certain laws," and the amendments thereto, reported by a select committee, reported an amendment to said committee's amendment.

Mr. Ficklin moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Hambaugh.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bell, Blair, Brinkley, Busey, Cloud, Compton, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Langworthy, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Starne, Thompson, Vance, Wheat, and Whitten—36.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dickinson, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Weatherford, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

The question arising on the amendment proposed by Mr. Logan,

Mr. Lawler moved to lay the subject on the table, until the fourth day of July next.

Mr. Hambaugh demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with, when the bill and proposed amendments were laid on the table until the 4th of July, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Anderson and Lawler.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, and White—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Courtright, Cushman, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ewing, Glass, Gobble, Gregg, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Mitchell, Murphy, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Starr, Stewart, Tack-erberry, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—47.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly engrossed, bills of the following titles:

“An act to repeal certain sections of an act entitled ‘An act incorporating the city of Nauvoo, in the county of Hancock,’ approved December 16, 1840,” and

“An act entitled ‘An act appointing the Governor ex-officio Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois.’”

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles:

“An act to reduce the number of officers upon the Illinois and Michigan Canal,” and

“An act to amend an act entitled ‘An act relative to criminal jurisprudence,’ approved February 26, 1833.”

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Fithian, a Senator.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have adopted the following order:

Ordered, That the House of Representatives be respectfully requested to return to the Senate “A bill for an act authorizing the erection of a bridge across the Sangamon river.”

They have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

“An act for the settlement of the accounts of James W. Barret,” and

“An act making compensation to Elijah Willard, formerly a commissioner of the board of public works.”

Senate bill for “An act to incorporate the Grand de Tour Manufacturing Company,” was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Jonas offered for adoption the following:

Resolved, That John D. Whiteside, Fund Commissioner, be directed to report forthwith to this House, the amount of paper of the Bank of Illinois and the State Bank in his possession, belonging to the State, and that he report what bonds, if any, hypothecated to Macalister & Stebbins, he has taken up since the report of the select committee, made to this House, in regard to the paper of the Bank of Illinois, then in the hands of John D. Whiteside; which was agreed to.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of

Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act to compile and publish in one volume, the laws of Illinois," as amended by them. In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled and laid before the Council of Revision, bills of the following titles:

"An act to authorize John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith, and Charles McClure, to build a dam across Fox river;"

"An act to incorporate the Rock River Bridge Company;"

"An act to locate a State road therein named;"

"An act to authorize the sheriff of Shelby county to sell non-resident lands for taxes due for 1841;"

"An act to provide for the allowance and payment of interest and money due the contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river," and

"An act to authorize Alfred Brown, Woster Ives, and their associates, of Whiteside county, to alter or change the channel of Rock river."

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Ordered That the Clerk return to the Senate a bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across the Sangamon river."

Senate's amendments to a bill for "An act to exempt certain articles from execution," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone and James W. Nobles," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school, college, and seminary fund."

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The House receded from its amendment to Senate bill for "An act to increase the per diem pay of grand and petit jurors, and to allow them mileage;" which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows, on demand of Messrs. Lawler and Starne.

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Burklow, Collins, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Fowler, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Horney, Koerner, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClermand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Manning, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Norris, Owen, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Viayard, Wheat, Whitcomb, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Compton, Cushman, Danner, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Maden, Mitchell, Nesbit, Pickering, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Tackerberry, Weatherford, White, and Woodworth—46.

Senate's amendments to a bill a for "An act to establish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Logan, by permission, from the committee on Counties, to which was referred the bill for "An act to remove the seat of government of the State of Illinois, and for other purposes," reported an amendment; which was agreed to, and the bill ordered to be engrossed; when

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Koerner, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates,' approved January 23, 1829," together with the objections of the Council of Revision thereto, reported an amendment to obviate the said objections; which was agreed to; the bill then passed, as amended.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said amendment.

Mr. Whitcomb demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

Senate bill for "An act to locate a State road from St. Charles, in Kane county, to Rockford, in Winnebago county," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Murphy, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Northern Cross Railroad," together with the amendments proposed to said bill by the committee on Public Accounts and Expenditures, reported the same back to the House; when the amendments were agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Murphy,

Further proceedings under the call of the House were dispensed with.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize a settlement with Macalister & Stebbins, and further to diminish the State debt," coming up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The preamble was amended by striking out all to the word "and," in the sixteenth line, and inserting the following:

"Whereas, Messrs. Macalister & Stebbins, of the city of New York, have received from John D. Whiteside, Fund Commissioner of this State, eight hundred and four interest bonds of this State, of one thousand dollars each, on hypothecation, and seventy-one internal improvement bonds from the said Fund Commissioner, on deposit or otherwise, and also, bonds and scrip from Michael Kennedy, to the amount of thirty-eight thousand two hundred and fifteen dollars, and forty-four cents; upon which said securities the said Macalister & Stebbins claim the credit of an advance of \$261,500 on or about the 17th of June, 1841, upon which interest is due."

And the bill was further amended, by striking out the "forty-two," in the nineteenth line of the bill, and inserting "seventy-one," and by striking out "\$67,215 44," in the twentieth line, and inserting "\$38,215 44."

Mr. Turner moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

The question arising on the amendments proposed by Mr. McClernand, they were agreed to; the bill then passed, as amended, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Simms and Cochran, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Burklow, Caldwell, Collins, Courtright, Cushman, Dickinson, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Langworthy, Lawler, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Owen, Pickering, Pratt, Scott, Sharp, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Anderson, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Danner, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Dubois, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hanson, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lockard, Loy, McBride, Marshall, Mitchell, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starne, Starr, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in said amendments.

Senate bill for "An act to change the times of holding courts in the fifth judicial circuit," was read the first, second, and third times, by its title and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Engrossed bill for "An act to provide for the completion of the Northern Cross railroad," was read a third time.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon demanded a call of the House.

After some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was amended by adding the following section:

"**SEC.** That the stockholders hereby incorporated shall be liable in their private capacity and individual property for all debts contracted by said corporation, and the Legislature may repeal, alter, or modify the same, upon any departure from or violation of the provisions of this act;" when the bill passed.

Ordered, That title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of said bill.

The bill for "An act to incorporate the city of Metropolis, in Johnson county," with the objections of the Council of Revision to the same, coming up for consideration.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill and objections were laid on the table.

Engrossed bill for "An act to attach part of the county of Woodford to the county of Marshall," was read the third time, when,

On motion of Mr. Tackerberry,

It was referred to the committee on Counties.

Engrossed bill for "An act appointing the Governor ex-officio Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois," was read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Engrossed bill for "An act to repeal the charter of the Bank of Cairo," was read the third time and passed, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Browning and Blair, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbense, Blair, Blakeman, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Goble, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Penn, Scott, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—74.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Andrus, Brown of Pike, Browning, Ervin, Ewing, Glass, Hanson, Harper, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Owen, Pickering, Smith of Hancock, and Yates—19.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

The bill for "An act to amend the several acts concerning the fees and the compensation of the officers therein named," coming up for consideration,

Mr. Ames moved to lay the bill on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Cochran and Simms, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbense, Blair, Brinkley, Browning, Burklow, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Ewing, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Kendall, Kuykendall, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Scott, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Vance, Vinyard, Wheat, and Whitcomb—40.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Anderson, Arnold, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Jonas, Koerner, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McClernand, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pickering, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—57.

On motion of Mr. Kuykendall,

The bill was amended by striking out all relating to the fees of justices of the peace and constables.

Mr. Hanson, moved to strike out of the bill all relating to the fees of circuit clerks; which was not agreed to.

Mr. Vance moved to strike out of the bill all relating to the fees of the clerk of the county commissioners' courts.

Mr. Brown of Pike moved the previous question; which was sustained.

The motion made by Mr. Vance, was then not agreed to.

On the question—"Shall the bill be engrossed?" it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Vance and Vinyard, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Haley, Hanson, Hick, Horney, Hunsaker, Jonas, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McClermand, Madden, Manning, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Sharp, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Thompson, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—53.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Browning, Busey, Courtright, Cushman, Danner, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Epler, Ewing, Graves, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Hinton, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Kendall, Langworthy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Murphy, Pickering, Scott, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vance, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, and Whitten—46.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled and laid before the Council of Revision, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844;"

"An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school fund in the township therein named;"

"An act in relation to the school fund of Lawrence county;"

"An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren to that of Berwick;"

"An act in relation to the Kaskaskia and Mississippi Railroad Company;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating mills and millers,' approved, February 7th, 1827;"

"An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago, and for other purposes;"

"An act supplemental to 'An act creating the county of Massac from Pope and Johnson counties;"

"An act in relation the Supreme Court." And as correctly engrossed, a bill of the following title:

"An act for the removal of the State House from Springfield."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform House of Representatives that they have passed bills of the following titles, viz:

"An act to authorize William B. Marrs, administrator of the estate of Frederick Boyers, deceased, to convey certain estate therein named;"

"An act in relation to the counties of Menard, Logan, Mason, Christian and Sangamon;"

"An act donating a lot in the town of Ottawa to the Catholic Society of that place," and

"An act to authorize the Governor to issue patents for certain canal lands."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to authorise William T. Ryburn and Byrd T. Ryburn to erect a mill-dam across Big Muddy river;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance company,' approved February 23, 1839," and

"An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff of Schuyler county; also late sheriff and collector of Schuyler and Brown counties."

They have concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills, as amended by them, to-wit:

"An act making a partial change in the appropriation of the saline lands to the counties of Clay and Richland," and

"An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to permanently locate the seat of justice of Woodford county.'"

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have laid on the table until the fourth of July next bills of the following titles:

"An act to incorporate the Chicago Turnpike Company;"

"An act to compensate Joseph C. Harrison for the apprehension of Thomas Johnson, a fugitive from justice,"

"An act to amend 'An act for the relief of insolvent debtors,' approved January 12th, 1829."

They have also refused to order to a second reading a bill for "An act for the relief John Hodges, William Class and other securities of Jesse J. McLendan, former collector of Alexander county."

I am also directed by the Senate to inform the House that they have concurred in the passage of "An act appointing the Governor ex-officio Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois," and

"An act to vest the estate of Edward Mlodzianowski, deceased, in Dennis Rockwell, in trust for the purposes therein named."

Engrossed bill for "An act for the removal of the seat of Government from Springfield," was read the third time and passed.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

The title was so amended as to read, "An act relative to the State Bank and Bank of Illinois."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize county commissioners' courts to assess taxes for road purposes," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to prevent cities and towns from issuing warrants to circulate as money," was read the third time.

Mr. Brown of Pike moved to lay the bill on the table till the 4th of July next; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Dollins and Blair, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, McBride, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Scott, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vinyard, Whitcomb, and Yates—44.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Blair, Brinkley, Busey, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hick, Hinton, Horney, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Kuykendall, Langworthy, Lawler, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Manning, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Simms, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—49.

Mr. Kuykendall moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

The bill then passed, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Brown of Sangamon and Browning, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Blair, Brinkley, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Courtright, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Hambaugh, Hatch, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, Madden, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Spicer, Starne, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—51.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Dubois, Edwards, Ervin, Ewing, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hanson, Harper, Hickman, Horney, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Menard, Mitchell, Pickering, Scott, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starr, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vinyard, Whitcomb, and Yates—41.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Engrossed bill for "An act to repeal certain sections of an act entitled 'An act incorporating the city of Nauvoo, in the county of Hancock,' approved December 16, 1840," was read the third time.

Mr. Ames moved the previous question; which was agreed to.

Mr. Smith of Hancock demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call, were,

On motion of Mr. Lawler, dispensed with.

The bill was then passed, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Browning and Smith of Hancock, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Burklow, Busey, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Compton, Court-right, Danner, Dollins, Douglas, Edwards, Epler, Ervin, Ewing, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Gobble, Haley, Hambaugh, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, Loy, McBride, McClernand, Marshall, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Norris, Penn, Shirley, Simms, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Whitten, and Woodworth—58.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Brown of Pike, Browning, Collins, Cushman, Dougherty, Dubois, Graves, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Owen, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vandever, Whitcomb, and Mr. Speaker—33.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Senate's amendment to the bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835," was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Berry, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act to repeal the charter of the Bank of Cairo," and

"An act to incorporate the Juliet Seminary and to elevate the primary schools in township 35 north, of range 10 east, in Will county."

The resolution of the Senate proposing to bestow one copy of the State papers on the public lands, now in the office of Secretary of State, upon the Rev. J. M. Peck, to better enable him to compile a correct history of the State, coming up for consideration,

Mr. Turner moved to amend the same as follows:

"*Provided*, That the said Rev. John M. Peck shall return the same when his labors are completed, and likewise deposite a copy of his work in the State library when published;" which was not agreed to.

Mr. Ficklin moved that the resolution be laid on the table until the 4th day of July next; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on demand of Messrs. Koerner and Ficklin, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Andrus, Brinkley, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Burklow, Busey, Cochran, Compton, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Edwards, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Fowler, Haley, Kendall, Lawler, Lockard, Logan, Loy, McBride, McDonald of Calhoun, Manning, Menard, Murphy, Shirley, Simms, Tackerberry, and Mr. Speaker—32.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Anderson, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Caldwell, Cloud, Collins, Courtright, Danner, Davis of Bond, Dubois, Epler, Glass, Gregg, Ham-

baugh, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Koerner, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Penn, Pickering, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Starne, Starr, Stewart, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, Woodworth, and Yates—59.

Senate bill for "An act concerning negroes and mulattoes escaping from their masters," was read the first time, when

The House adjourned.

SATURDAY, MARCH 4, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Fund Commissioner, in reply to a call of this House, stating the amount of notes of the Bank of Illinois and State Bank in his possession, belonging to the State, &c.; which was read and laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of the following bills:

"An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to consolidate the acts relative to the Auditor and Treasurer, and election of Attorney General;'"

"An act in relation to the county of Cass," and

"An act for the purposes therein named."

They have also concurred in the passage of the following bills, as amended by them. In which amendments they ask the concurrence of House:

"An act to declare the Snicarty navigable," and

"An act in relation to the State Bank and the Bank of Illinois."

The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in the adoption of its resolution requiring John D. Whiteside, Esq. to hand over certain bonds to the Secretary of State, to be by him destroyed, on tomorrow at 3 o'clock, P. M.

The Senate have refused to concur in the amendment of the House of Representatives, to the amendment of the Senate, to a bill from the House of Representatives for "An act to regulate the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit."

The Senate have concurred with the House of Representatives in its amendments to Senate bills of the following titles:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to authorize the sale of the saline lands in Bond county;'"

"An act to incorporate the Galena Manufacturing Company;"

"An act to authorize the levying of a tax for school purposes, in township one north, range one east," and

"An act to authorize a settlement with Macalister & Stebbins, and further to diminish the State debt."

The Senate have refused to concur with the House of Representatives in its amendments to Senate bills of the following titles:

"An act regulating mill-dams in Vermillion county," and

"An act to amend the charter of the city of Quincy."

They have insisted upon their amendment to the bill for "An act to provide for the payment of the interest on the school, college, and semi-nary fund."

They have receded from their amendment to a bill for "An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of Public Printer."

The Senate have concurred with the House in their amendment to a bill for "An act to regulate weights and measures;" which amendments were adopted, and the bill again passed by the House to obviate the objections of the Council of Revision.

The Senate have also adopted the accompanying preamble and resolution, in which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives, proposing to permit sundry citizens of Springfield to extinguish certain indebtedness to the State therein named, in the manner specified.

They have passed a bill for "An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844."

The Senate have laid on the table until the 4th day of July next, a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Chicago Hydraulic Company.'"

They have refused to order to a second reading a bill for "An act to provide for the equitable adjustment and payment of interest on certain bonds heretofore paid to contractors on the line of the Illinois and Michigan Canal," and have concurred in the passage of a bill for "An act relating to schools in township thirty-five north, range twelve east, in Will county."

The Senate have concurred with the House in their amendment to an amendment of the Senate, to a bill of the House for "An act to provide for the sale of public property, and the payment of the public debt," as amended by the Senate; one original amendment of the Senate, of the same import of this last amendment having been lost; in which last amendment they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have receded from their amendments to said bill, in which the House of Representatives refused to concur.

Mr. Whitcomb, from the committee on Canal and Canal Lands, to which was referred the bill for "An act to provide for the settlement with contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal," reported an amendment thereto.

Mr. Douglas moved to amend the amendment, by giving to the State Treasurer the additional sum of two hundred dollars per year for clerk hire.

Mr. Glass demanded a call of the House.

Mr. Thompson moved to lay the bill and amendments on the table; when further action on the bill was suspended for the present, there not being a quorum present.

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act declaring the Snicarty a navigable stream," were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

Whereas, the select committee appointed to investigate the affairs of the Fund Commissioner's office, reported to this House that John D. White-

side, late Fund Commissioner, had in his possession, belonging to the State, sixty-five thousand, four hundred and thirty-six dollars, in the paper of the State Bank of Illinois, and the Bank of Illinois; *And whereas*, the Fund Commissioner has this morning reported to the House that he has in his possession but thirty-eight thousand dollars in the the paper of the Bank of Illinois, and none of the paper of the State Bank of Illinois; now therefore,

Resolved, That the said John D. Whiteside be required to report to this House, immediately, what disposition he has made of the residue of the said sum of sixty-five thousand, four hundred and thirty-six dollars.

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

The House refused to recede from its amendments to the Senate bill for "An act regulating the times of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit."

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Clernand,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Governor be authorized and requested to procure the surrender of the lease of S. M. Tinsley & Co., on the Northern Cross Railroad, between Springfield and Meredosia, and to settle with them on such terms as he may think just and equitable, and most conducive to the interest of the State.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate, and ask its concurrence therein.

Senate bill for "An act to authorize Wm. B. Marrs, administrator of the estate of Frederick Boyers, deceased," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Turner,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Treasurer be directed to make a *pro rata* distribution of the specie on hand, in discharge of such Auditor's warrants as have been issued to the members of this Legislature, and to the officers of the State government.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

Senate's resolution, proposing the extension of time to certain citizens of Springfield, debtors of the State, to pay the moneys therein mentioned, was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Great Western Railway Company," was read the first time, and the second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Banks and Corporations.

Mr. Arnold, from the committee on the Judiciary, to which was referred the bill for "An act authorizing judgments to be entered by confession before justices of the peace and the circuit court, in vacation, and for other purposes," reported an amendment thereto; when the bill and amendment were laid aside for the present.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House that they have approved bills of the following titles:

"An act in relation to the school fund of Lawrence;"

"An act to incorporate the La Salle County Mutual Fire Insurance Company;"

"An act to change the name of Bowling Green, in the county of Warren, to that of Berwick;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act regulating mills and millers,' approved February 7, 1827;"

"An act to incorporate the Tazewell County Farmers' and Mechanics' Company;"

"An in relation to the Kaskaskia and Mississippi Railroad Company;"

"An act to provide for the payment of interest on the school fund in the townships therein named;"

"An act to legalize the recorded plat of school section addition to Chicago, and for other purposes;"

"An act to incorporate the town of Macedonia, in Hancock county, and for other purposes;"

"An act to provide for the allowance and payment of interest and money due the contractors on the Illinois and Michigan Canal;"

"An act authorizing the school commissioner of La Salle county to dispose of depreciated bank notes belonging to the school fund;"

"An act to authorize the owners of real estate in the corporation of Lynnville to vote for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to change the name of a town, and for other purposes;"

"An act to locate a State road from La Salle to Inlet Grove."

"An act for the relief of the school commissioner of Pope county;"

"An act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate the Union Agricultural Society;"

"An act in relation to State bonds, and other evidences of State indebtedness;"

"An act to authorize the sheriff of Shelby county to sell non-resident lands for taxes due for 1841;"

"An act authorizing the erection of a mill-dam across Rock river;"

"An act to authorize Alfred Brown, Woster Ives, and their associates, of Whiteside county, to alter or change the channel of Rock creek;"

"An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844;"

"An act declaring a road therein named a State road, and for locating a State road from the east line of Mercer county, to the town of Millersburg, in said county;"

"An act for the relief of William Manning, the collector of Shelby county;"

"An act in relation to the Cumberland Road;"

"An act to authorize John W. Smith, Benjamin B. Brown, Abijah Smith, and Charles McClure, to build a dam across Fox river;"

"An act in relation to the Supreme Court;"

"An act in relation to State bonds, and other evidences of State indebtedness," and

"An act to authorize the building of a mill-dam across the Little Wabash river, in White county."

I am also directed to inform the House of Representatives that they

have rejected "An act concerning sales of school lands in Effingham county," and have ordered the same to be returned to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, with the following objections.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled and laid before the Council of Revision, bills of the following titles:

"An act to exempt certain articles from execution;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county to assess the rates of toll on a certain bridge therein named;"

"An act for the settlement of the accounts of James W. Barret;"

"An act relating to the State treasury;"

"An act to allow grand and petit jurors mileage;"

"An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named;"

"An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell and others;"

"An act concerning attorneys and consellers at law;"

"An act making compensation to Elijah Willard, formerly a commissioner of the board of public works;"

"An act for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Mutual Fire Insurance Company,' approved February 23, 1839;"

"An act supplementary to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printers;"

"An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone and James W. Nobles;"

"An act to locate a State road from Josephine to Knoxville;"

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes,' and

"An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835."

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839," as amended by them.

In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have concurred with them in the passage of a bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Benton, and for other purposes," with amendments. In which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have refused to order to a third reading a bill for "An act concerning the public revenue, and for other purposes."

They have concurred with the House in the passage of a bill for "An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary," as amended by them. In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

The Senate have adopted the following resolution:

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives, That the Speakers of each House adjourn the same, *sine die*, on Monday the 6th instant, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

In the adoption of which they ask the concurrence of the House.

They have concurred with the House in the adoption of the following resolution, as amended:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the Governor be authorized and requested to procure the surrender of the lease of S. M. Tinsley & Co., on the Northern Cross Railroad, between Springfield and Meredosia, and to settle with them on such terms as he may think just and equitable, and most conducive to the interest of the State.

They amend by striking out the words "and requested," and, also, by adding "*Provided*, That the Governor shall not promise to pay, or to pay them any for the lease."

In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House.

They have passed a bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the Sangamon."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

They have concurred in the passage of a bill for "An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county;"

"An act to authorize and direct the Secretary of State to receive and preserve geological specimens, and for other purposes," and

"An act in relation to the specie in the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown."

The Senate have indefinitely postponed the bill of the House for "An act to divorce Andrew and Susan McMillan."

They have concurred with the House in its amendment to the Senate's amendment, to a resolution authorizing the Governor to procure the surrender of the lease of S. M. Tinsley & Co., of the Northern Cross Railroad, between Springfield and Meredosia.

They have also concurred in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act in relation to clerks of circuit courts;"

"An act in relation to the navigation of the Bonpas creek, in Edwards county;"

"An act to locate a State road from Wm. Brown's, jr., in St. Clair county, to Nashville, in Washington county;"

"An act to incorporate the Morgan Institute;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and to legalize the assessment of property in the county of La Salle for the year 1841, and to provide a remedy when certificates of the purchase of land for taxes have been lost;"

"An act to incorporate the Lamoille Agricultural and Mechanical Association;"

"An act to authorize the school commissioners of Schuyler and Christian counties to dispose of any depreciated bank paper in their possession;"

"An act to exempt the property of colleges and common schools from taxation for a limited period;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa and for other purposes,' approved July 21, 1837;"

"An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Fountain Green precinct, in Hancock county;"

"An act for leasing water power on the Illinois and Michigan canal;"

"An act to incorporate the Naperville Cemetery Association;"

"An act to authorise the building a bridge across the Sangamon river;"

"An act making appropriation for finishing part of the State House," and

"An act for a State road from David Wright's, in Iroquois county, to Portland, in Cook county."

They have concurred in the passage of "An act to extend the time for the completion of the Illinois and Rock River Railroad," as amended by them. In which amendments they ask the concurrence of the House.

The Senate receded from their amendments to a bill "An act to provide for the sale of the public property and the payment of the public debt," in which the House had refused to concur, and made further amendments to said bill; which were agreed to.

The question arising on the amendment proposing to exempt from sale the Naples depot, it was decided in the affirmative, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs Anderson and McClernand, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Andrus, Arnold, Blair, Brinkley, Cochran, Compton, Courtright, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Edwards, Ficklin, Flanders, Gregg, Hannaford, Hatch, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Koerner, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Mitchell, Nesbit, Owen, Penn, Pratt, Scott, Spicer, Turner, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, White, Whitten, and Woodworth—43.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Bailhache, Bell, Bibbens, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Douglas, Epler, Garrett, Glass, Gobble, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hanson, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jonas, Kendall, Lockard, Logan, Menard, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Starne, Starr, Tack-erberry, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, and Yates—41.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Gregg,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are due to the Hon. Sam'l H. Hackelton for the able, impartial, and satisfactory manner in which he has discharged the duties of Speaker during the present session.

The bill for "An act authorizing judgments to be entered by confession before justices of the peace and the circuit courts in vacation and for other purposes," and the proposed amendment being under consideration,

Mr. Logan moved to strike out all except what relates to the Auditor; when,

Mr. Thompson moved to lay the whole subject on the table; when,

Further action was suspended for want of a quorum.

The amendments of the Senate to a bill of the House for "An act to compile, and publish in one volume, the laws of Illinois," was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act relating to docket fees," was read the first time, and the second and third times, by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Davis of Bond, from the committee on Banks and Corporations, to which was referred a bill for "An act to incorporate the Great Western Railway Company," reported the same back, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was amended by striking out all of the the 14th section to the words, "this act shall be and is declared a public act."

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The bill was further amended in the first section by inserting after the words "thence north," the following: "by way of Vandalia, Shelbyville, Decatur, and Bloomington."

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was further amended by adding the following section, viz:

"SEC. That the stockholders of the Great Western Railway Company shall be individually liable for the debts contracted by said company, and that upon any departure from, or violation of the provisions of this act, the Legislature may repeal, alter, or modify the same, as in their judgment the public good may require."

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The bill was further amended by adding an additional section:

"SEC. No rights of any description shall be vested in the said company under the provisions of this act until they should have first surrendered to the State an amount of the liabilities of the State equal to the sum ascertained as aforesaid to have been expended by the State upon the said road, and works and improvements therewith connected; *Provided*, that the said company may organize under the provisions of this act."

Mr. Browning moved the indefinite postponement of the whole subject; which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The main question was ordered.

Further action on said bill was suspended for want of a quorum.

Mr. Brown of Sangamon, from the committee on Agriculture and Manufactures, to which was referred a bill for "An act in relation to the public revenue," reported an amendment to the same; which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brown of Sangamon,

The main question was ordered.

The bill was then read a third time by its title and passed.

On motion of the same, the title was amended by adding the words, "and for other purposes."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in its passage.

Mr. Hick, on leave, introduced a bill for "An act to divorce Andrew McMillan and Susan McMillan;" which was read the first time, and the second and third times by the title, and passed.

At the second reading Mr. Scott moved to amend the bill by adding the following, viz:

"SEC. 2. That the bands of matrimony now existing between Robert Turner and Margaret Turner, be and the same are hereby dissolved;" which was not agreed to.

Ordered, That the title of the bill be as above, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the passage of the bill.

A bill for "An act entitled 'An act in relation to the public revenue, approved February 26, 1839, and 'an act supplemental to the same,' ap-

proved March 1st, 1839," and the Senate's amendments thereto, coming up for consideration,

The question was taken on the amendments separately.

Mr. Ames demanded the previous question; which was sustained.

Mr. Howard demanded a call of the House. Pending the call,

On motion of Mr. Weatherford,

The amendments of the Senate to a bill for "An act for the formation of the county of Benton, and for other purposes," were read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Pending the call, the amendments of the Senate to a joint resolution in relation to the Northern Cross Railroad, were taken up; when,

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The Senate's amendment was amended as follows:

"*Provided*, That the Governor shall also be authorized and required, if it be practicable, to procure the surrender of any lien which may exist upon the said road, and the tolls of the same."

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate, and ask their concurrence in the amendment.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The question arising on the amendment of the Senate, fixing the minimum valuation of lands for taxation at three dollars per acre, it was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Davis of Bond and Jonas, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Bailhache, Blair, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Cushman, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Hanson, Hick, Hinton, Howard, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Marshall, Miller, Nesbit, Turner, Weatherford, Whitcomb, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—34.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brinkley, Browning, Collins, Compton, Davis of Bond, Dollins, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hickman, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Langworthy, Lockard, Logan, Madden, Menard, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Stewart, Thompson, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Yates—51.

The amendments of the Senate to said bill being all agreed to except the last,

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof; when,

The House adjourned till 2 o'clock, P. M.

TWO O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Senate bill for "An act to extend the jurisdiction of the several counties bordering on the Mississippi and Wabash rivers," was read the first time, and the second and third times by the title, and passed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The Senate bill for "An act supplemental to 'An act making appropriations for the years 1843 and 1844,'" was read the first time and refused a second reading.

The amendments of the Senate to the amendments of the House to the bill for "An act to limit justices of the peace, and probate justices of the peace, and constables to their respective districts," came up for consideration; when

Mr. Logan moved to lay the whole subject on the table; which was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Miller and Horney, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Blakeman, Browning, Cushman, Edwards, Gregg, Harper, Hatch, Hunsaker, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Langworthy, Logan, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Marshall, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Thompson, Whitcomb, Whitten, and Mr. Speaker—32.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bone, Brinkley, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Compton, Davis of Bond, Davis of Williamson, Dennis, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Hick, Hickman, Horney, Howard, Lawler, Lockard, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Miller, Nesbit, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, Wilson, and Yates—50.

Mr. Weatherford demanded a call of the House.

Mr. Pickering, pending the call, obtained leave to make a report from the committee on Internal Improvements, proposing for adoption certain preamble and resolutions addressed to Congress, praying appropriations for making canals around the Des Moines and Rock river rapids; on the Mississippi river; which were read and adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence.

Mr. Blair, from the committee on State Roads, to which was referred a bill for "An act explanatory of ordinary times," reported an amendment; which was agreed to.

The bill was read the third time by the title and passed.

On motion of Mr. Logan,

The title was amended so as to read, "An act in relation to delinquent collectors of revenue."

Ordered, That the title be as amended, and that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

Mr. Wheat, from the Judiciary committee, to which was referred a bill for "An act to establish the Independent Treasury," reported an amendment; which was agreed to.

The bill was then read the third time by the title and passed.

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The title was amended.

Ordered, That the title be as amended, that the Clerk inform the Senate and ask their concurrence.

On motion of Mr. Browning,

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House issue his warrant forthwith, directed to the Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, commanding and requiring said Sergeant-at-Arms, without delay, to arrest John D. Whiteside, and bring him forthwith to the bar of the House, to answer a contempt offered by him to the House, in refusing to answer a resolution this day adopted, calling on him for information as to what disposition he had made of certain money in his possession belonging to the State.

The question arising previous to the call of the House, the call being dispensed with, the amendments of the Senate to the amendments of the House were concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Spicer,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That when the laws, which have been directed to be compiled and published, shall be deposited with the Secretary of State, it shall be his duty, after distributing the number of copies as directed by law to the various officers of the State, to deposit and retain in his office two thousand copies, and such balance as may be left, he shall distribute to the clerks of the county commissioners' courts in the several counties, in proportion to the white population of their respective counties; which copies when received by said clerks shall be sold by them for a sum not less than three dollars per copy, and all moneys received by the clerks for the sale of said laws shall be deposited with the county treasurer to the credit of the State.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the Sangamon river," was read the first time and second time by the title, and then read the third time.

Mr. Ficklin moved that it be laid on the table; which was not agreed to, when it was laid aside for the present.

Mr. Turner moved for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer shall pay out whatever specie may be in the treasury, *pro rata*, upon all warrants to be issued on or before the 6th day of March, 1843; which,

On motion of Mr. Keerner,

Was laid on the table.

A communication was laid before the House by Mr. Speaker, from the Fund Commissioner, in answer to a resolution of this day calling upon him for information in relation to the disposition he had made of certain moneys in his possession.

Which was read and laid on the table.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with the House in the passage of bills of the following titles:

"An act in relation to delinquent collectors of the revenue;"

"An act to amend 'An act providing a voluntary mode of registering births and deaths;'"

"An act to provide for the completion of the Northern Cross Railroad;"

"An act for the relief of Wm. Warnick, late collector of taxes in and for the county of Macon," and

"An act to provide for a change and re-location of a part of the Darwin and Charlestown Turnpike."

The Senate have also concurred with the House in its amendments to a bill of the House for "An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors, and administrators, and the settlement of estates,' approved January 23, 1829;" which amendments were made by the House to obviate the objections of the Council of Revision.

The Senate have concurred with the House in its amendment to Senate bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge over the Sangamon river," and they have refused to concur in the amendments of the House to Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Great Western Railway Company."

The Senate have laid on the table until the fourth day of July next a House bill for "An act to regulate the time of holding courts in the sixth judicial circuit," together with the amendments of both Houses thereto.

They have passed a bill for "An act to pay out certain funds from the State Treasury,"

I am further directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that they have concurred with them in the adoption of their resolution directing the Treasurer to distribute the specie on hand *pro rata* to discharge Auditor's warrants, in the hands of members of the General Assembly, and officers of the State Government.

Mr. Dennis, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported the following, as correctly enrolled.

"An act for the formation of the county of Benton, and for other purposes;"

"An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary;"

"An act for a State road from David Wright's, in Iroquois county, to Portland, in Cook county;"

"An act to authorize the Secretary of State to receive and preserve geological specimens, and for other purposes;"

"An act in relation to the specie in the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown;"

"An act to repeal the Bank of Cairo;"

"An act to incorporate Shawnee city;"

"An act to provide for the sale of public property and the payment of the public debt;"

"An act entitled 'An act appointing the Governor ex-officio Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois;"

"An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff for Schuyler county, also late sheriff and collector for Schuyler and Brown counties;"

"An act to vest the estate of Edward Mlodzianowski, deceased, in Dennis Rockwell, in trust, for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county;"

"An act to compile and publish, in one volume, the laws of Illinois;"

"An act to declare the Snicarty a navigable stream;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to consolidate the acts relative to the Auditor and Treasurer, and election of Attorney General,' approved March 2, 1843."

"An act to authorize William T. Ryburn, and Byrd T. Ryburn to erect a mill-dam across Big Muddy river;"

"An act relating to schools in township thirty-five north of range twelve east, in Will county;

"An act to regulate weights and measures;"

"An act to incorporate the Juliet Seminary, and to elevate the primary schools in township thirty-five north of range ten east, in Will county."

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled and laid before the Council of Revision, "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,' approved July 1, 1837;"

"An act to authorize the school commissioner of Schuyler and Christian counties to dispose of any depreciated bank paper in their possession;"

"An act concerning the navigation of Bonpas creek, in Edwards county;"

"An act to locate a State road from Wm. Brown's, jr., in St. Clair county, to Nashville, in Washington county;"

"An act for the relief of Wm. Warnick, late collector of taxes in and for the county of Macon;"

"An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county;"

"An act for leasing the water powers on the Illinois and Michigan Canal."

A message from the Governor, by Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,
Springfield, March 4, 1843.

To the Honorable the House of Representatives:

On account of the meeting of the two Houses at an earlier hour this afternoon than was contemplated, and the hurry of business, I omitted to produce the half million of indebtedness of the State, received from the Bank of Illinois, at the hour appointed, and will therefore produce the same to be destroyed this evening, at 6 o'clock.

I have the honor to be, &c.

THOMAS FORD.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act supplemental to the several acts defining the duties of the Public Printer;"

"An act for the settlement of the accounts of James W. Barret;"

"An act concerning attorneys and counsellors at law;"

"An act to abolish the office of Fund Commissioner, and for other purposes therein named;"

"An act to exempt certain articles from execution;"

"An act to authorize the county commissioners of Stephenson county to assess the rates on a certain bridge therein named;"

"An act in relation to the State Treasury;"

"An act to allow grand and petit jurors mileage;"

"An act to amend the act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Illinois Fire Insurance Company,' approved Feb. 23, 1839;"

"An act to establish the name of William Carroll Mitchell, and others;"

"An act making compensation to Elijah Willard, formerly a commissioner of the board of public works;"

"An act to repeal an act entitled 'An act to regulate foreign insurance company agencies, established in the State of Illinois, and for other purposes;"

"An act for the relief of Henry B. Cone and James W. Nobles;"

"An act supplemental to 'An act concerning estrays,' in force February 9, 1835;"

"An act to locate a State road from Josephine to Knoxville."

The House adjourned until 7 o'clock, P. M.

SEVEN O'CLOCK, P. M.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Hanson obtained leave to withdraw the petitions of citizens of Coles county, in relation to a division of said county.

Senate's amendments to the bill for "An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary," were read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act authorizing the erection of a bridge across the Sangamon river," coming up for a third reading,

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The bill was amended by adding as follows:

"*Provided, however*, that nothing in this act contained shall be so construed as to authorize said Reed to construct any dam at said point, or above it, which shall at all elevate the water above its present level at low water mark, at the coal bank ford, until after a bridge shall be erected at or near said coal bank ford."

The bill was then read the third time and passed, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Ficklin and Cochran, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bell, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Brown of Sangamon, Browning, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Davis of Bond, Dickinson, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Flanders, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Harper, Hatch, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Kuykendall, Lockard, Logan, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Pickering, Shirley, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Weatherford, Wheat, White, and Mr. Speaker—67.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Blair, Compton, Dollins, Dougherty, Edwards, Ficklin, Hanson, Hunsaker, Koerner, Penn, Thompson, Vance, Vinyard, and Woodworth—14.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act in relation to the public revenue,' approved Feb. 26, 1839, and an act supplementary to said act, approved March 1, 1839," coming up again for consideration,

Mr. McClernand moved that the House recede from their vote of non-concurrence with the Senate in their amendment, fixing the minimum value at which lands shall be taxed per acre at three dollars per acre; the Senate having refused to recede from their amendment; which was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Collins and Ames, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Arnold, Bailhache, Blair, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Cushman, Dennis, Dickinson, Dollins, Dougherty, Douglas, Epler, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Hambaugh, Hick, Hickman, Hinton, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, McClernand, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Marshall, Menard, Miller, Murphy, Nesbit, Shirley, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vandever, Vinyard, Weatherford, Woodworth, and Mr. Speaker—46.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Pike, Browning, Collins, Compton, Davis of Bond, Edwards, Ervin, Fowler, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Horney, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Lockard, Logan, Loy, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Pratt, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Spicer, Thompson, Vance, White, and Yates—43.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The resolution from the Senate proposing that the Speakers of each House adjourn the same, *sine die*, on Monday morning next, at 9 o'clock, was read and adopted.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to permanently locate the seat of justice of Woodford county,'" was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate's bill for "An act to re-locate a part of the St. Louis road," was read the third time; when the House refused to pass said bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

On motion of Mr. Marshall,

Resolved, That we have full confidence in the ability and integrity of Lyman Trumbull, as Secretary of State, and that in our opinion, he has perform the duties of his office with commendable zeal and fidelity.

Senate's amendment to a bill for "An act to extend the time for the completion of the Illinois and Rock River Railroad," was read and concurred in.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

The question arising on ordering to a third reading Senate bill for "An act to incorporate the Great Western Railway Company," it was agreed to, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Howard and Vance, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Ames, Anderson, Bell, Bibbens, Blakeman, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Collins, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dickinson, Dougherty, Edwards, Ficklin, Flanders, Gregg, Hanson, Harper, Hick, Horney, Howard, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, Loy, McClernand, McDonald of Jo Daviess, McMillan, Madden, Menard, Mitchell, Murphy, Nesbit, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Crawford, Stewart, Tackerberry, Turner, Vance, Vandever, Vinyard, Whitcomb, White, Woodworth, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—52.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Andrus, Bailhache, Blair, Brown of Pike, Browning, Compton, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Glass, Graves, Haley, Hambaugh, Hannaford, Hatch, Hickman, Jackson of McHenry, Jackson of Whiteside, Jonas, Koerner, Logan, McDonald of Calhoun, Marshall, Penn, Simms, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Thompson, and Wheat—32.

The bill was then read the third time and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence in the amendments to said bill.

Senate bill for "An act in relation to the counties of Menard, Logan, Mason, Christian, and Sangamon" was read the first time; when the House refused to dispense with the rule and read the bill a second time.

Senate bill for "An act to amend 'An act concerning estrays,' approved Feb. 9, 1835," was read the first time, and the second and third times by its title, and passed.

Ordered, That the title be as aforesaid, and that the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Senate bill for "An act concerning negroes and mulattoes escaping from their masters," coming up for consideration,

On motion of Mr. Koerner,

The bill was referred to the committee on the Judiciary, by yeas and nays, on the demand of Messrs. Simms and Cushman, as follows:

Those who voted in the affirmative, are,

Messrs. Adams, Aldrich, Ames, Andrus, Arnold, Bailhache, Bibbens, Blair, Blakeman, Brown of Pike, Browning, Collins, Compton, Cushman, Davis of Bond, Dennis, Dougherty, Edwards, Glass, Graves, Hannaford, Hanson, Harper, Hatch, Hinton, Horney, Howard, Jackson of McHenry, Jonas, Kendall, Koerner, Logan, Loy, McDonald of Calhoun, McDonald of Jo Daviess, Madden, Mitchell, Penn, Pickering, Shirley, Smith of Hancock, Spicer, Starne, Stewart, Tackerberry, Vandever, Wheat, Whitcomb, and Woodworth—49.

Those who voted in the negative, are,

Messrs. Anderson, Bell, Bone, Brown of Sangamon, Caldwell, Cloud, Cochran, Dickinson, Dollins, Douglas, Epler, Ervin, Ficklin, Flanders, Gobble, Gregg, Haley, Hambaugh, Hick, Hickman, Hunsaker, Kuykendall, Lawler, Lockard, McClernand, McMillan, Marshall, Nesbit, Simms, Smith of Crawford, Thompson, Turner, Vance, Vinyard, Weatherford, White, Whitten, Yates, and Mr. Speaker—39.

Senate bill for "An act to pay out certain funds from the State treasury," was read the first time; when,

On motion of Mr. Ames,

The consideration of the bill was indefinitely postponed.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Dickinson, from the committee on Engrossed and Enrolled Bills, reported, as correctly enrolled, bills of the following titles, to wit:

"An act in relation to the county of Cass;" and that he has laid the said bill before the Council of Revision.

When the House adjourned.

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 1843.

House met pursuant to adjournment.

Mr. Ervin obtained leave to withdraw the petitions and remonstrances of citizens of McDonough county, relative to obtaining an additional justice of the peace and constable in Middleton precinct, in said county.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved bills of the following titles:

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to consolidate the acts relative to the Auditor and Treasurer, and election of Attorney General,' approved March 2, 1833;"

"An act to regulate the mode of holding elections in Kendall county."

"An act to provide for the sale of public property, and the payment of the public debt;"

"An act for the relief of John G. McHatton, late sheriff of Schuyler county, also, late sheriff and collector of Schuyler and Brown counties;"

"An act to vest the estate of Edward Mlodzianowski, deceased, in Dennis Rockwell, in trust, for the purposes therein named;"

"An act to regulate weights and measures;"

"An act entitled 'An act appointing the Governor *ex-officio* Fund Commissioner of the State of Illinois;"

"An act to authorize William T. Ryburn and Byrd T. Ryburn to erect a mill-dam across Big Muddy river;"

"An act relating to schools in township thirty-five north, of range twelve east, in Will county;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act to incorporate the town of Ottawa, and for other purposes,' approved July 21, 1837."

"An act concerning the navigation of Bonpas creek, in Edwards county;"

"An act to provide for the completion of the Northern Cross Railroad;"

"An act to locate a State road from St. Charles, in Kane county, to Rockford, in Winnebago county;"

"An act entitled 'An act to incorporate the Morgan Institute;"

"An act to incorporate the Naperville Cemetery Association;"

"An act to amend 'An act relative to wills and testaments, executors and administrators, and the settlement of estates,' approved January 23, 1829;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and to legalize the assessment of property in the county of La Salle for the year 1841, and to provide a remedy where certificates of purchase of land for taxes have been lost;"

"An act authorizing an additional justice of the peace and constable in the Fountain Green precinct, in Hancock county;"

"An act to amend 'An act providing a voluntary mode of registering births and deaths,' approved March 3, 1843."

"An act in relation to delinquent collectors of taxes of the revenue;"

"An act to incorporate the Juliet Seminary, and to elevate the primary schools in township thirty-five north of ten east, in Will county;"

"An act to declare the Snicarty a navigable stream;"

"An act making an appropriation to finish part of the State House;"

"An act for the formation of the county of Benton;"

"An act in relation to the county of Cass;"

"An act in relation to the specie in the Bank of Illinois at Shawneetown;"

"An act to repeal the charter of the Bank of Cairo;"

"An act to authorize and direct the Secretary of State to receive and preserve geological specimens, and for other purposes;"

"An act to authorize the school commissioners of Schuyler and Christian counties to dispose of any depreciated bank paper in their possession;"

"An act for leasing water power on the Illinois and Michigan Canal;"

"An act for a State road from David Wright's, in Iroquois county, to Portland, in Cook county;"

"An act to locate a State road from Wm. Brown's, jr., in St. Clair county, to Nashville, in Washington county;"

"An act for a State road from Frederickville, in Schuyler county, to Macomb, in McDonough county;"

"An act to provide for a change and re-location of a part of the Darwin and Charleston Turnpike;"

"An act in relation to clerks of circuit courts;"

"An act supplemental to an act entitled 'An act to permanently locate the seat of justice of Woodford county;"

"An act to incorporate academies and seminaries of learning;"

"An act to exempt the property of colleges and common schools from taxation for a limited period;"

"An act to extend the time for the completion of the Illinois and Rock River Railroad;"

"An act to amend an act entitled 'An act concerning the public revenue,' approved February 26, 1839, and an act supplemental to said act, approved March 1, 1839;"

"An act to provide for the regulation of the penitentiary;"

"An act to incorporate the Lamoille Agricultural and Mechanical Association;"

"An act for the relief of William Warnick, late a collector of taxes in and for the county of Macon," and

"An act authorizing the building a bridge across the Sangamon river."

I am also directed to inform the House of Representatives that they have rejected "An act to compile, and publish in one volume, the laws of

Illinois," and ordered the same to be returned to the House of Representatives, in which it originated, with the following objections.

I am further directed by the Council to inform the House that they laid upon the table until the first Monday in December, 1844, bills of the following titles:

"An act to authorize Wm. B. Marrs, administrator of the estate of Frederick Doyer, deceased, to convey certain estate therein named;"

"An act to incorporate the city of Peoria," and

"An act to incorporate Shawnee city."

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That we recognize the right of each governor to nominate, and by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, to appoint a Secretary of State.

Resolved, That we recognize the right and power of the Governor to remove the Secretary of State.

Resolved, That we believe it to be the duty of each Governor to nominate a Secretary of State.

Resolved, That we utterly repudiate the doctrine of the irresponsibility of the Secretary of State, or that he is a life officer.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to His Excellency Thomas Ford, Governor of the State of Illinois, and Lyman Trumbull, Secretary of State, and Milton Carpenter, Treasurer of State, and to James Shields, Auditor of Public Accounts, for their efficient, zealous, and patriotic efforts to promote the honor and interests of the State and people.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary.

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House of Representatives that the Senate have concurred with them in the adoption of their preamble and resolutions, instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in the Congress of the United States, to use their efforts to procure an appropriation by Congress, to aid in the construction of a canal around the Des Moines and Rock river rapids of the Mississippi river.

The Senate have passed a bill of the following title:

"An act to punish defaulters."

In the passage of which they ask the concurrence of the House of Representatives.

On motion of Mr. Cloud,

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein, That the joint resolution requiring the Speakers of each House of the General Assembly to adjourn the same *sine die*, at 9 o'clock this morning, be rescinded, and that they adjourn the two Houses *sine die*, at 12 o'clock, M., this day.

A message from the Senate, by Mr. Moore, their Assistant Secretary:

I am directed to inform the House that the Senate have concurred with the House in the adoption of its resolution rescinding the resolution of the two Houses, requiring the Speakers of the two Houses to adjourn them, *sine die*, at 9 o'clock A. M. to-day, and requiring those officers to adjourn the two Houses respectively, at 12 o'clock, M., to-day.

Mr. Wilson demanded a call of the House; after some time spent therein, further proceedings under the call, were,

On motion of Mr. McClernand, dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Nesbit,

The bill for "An act to incorporate the Great Western Railway Company," was taken up, and on his further motion, the House receded from its amendments to said bill, in which the Senate refused to concur.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof.

Mr. Cloud moved that the House re-consider the vote on concurring with the Senate in their amendments to the bill for "An act limiting the jurisdiction of justices of the peace, probate justices of the peace, and constables, to their respective districts;" when the House took a recess until 11 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. McClernand,

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait on the Governor, and ascertain whether he has any further communication to make to this House, at the present session.

Ordered, That Messrs. McClernand, Wheat, and Brown of Sangamon be that committee.

Mr. McClernand, from the select committee appointed to wait upon the Governor, and ascertain whether he has any further communication to make to this House, reported that they had waited upon the Governor, and presented the following communication:

Springfield, March 6, 1843.

In answer to the resolution of the House of Representatives, I have the honor to state that I have no further communications to make to the House at this session of the General Assembly.

I am very respectfully, your most obedient servant,

THOMAS FORD.

To Messrs. McClernand, Wheat, and Brown, committee of the House of Representatives.

A message from the Council of Revision, by Mr. Kelly, their Secretary:

Mr. Speaker: I am directed by the Council of Revision to inform the House of Representatives that they have approved a bill of the following title:

"An act concerning the public revenue, and for other purposes."

Mr. Logan obtained leave to withdraw the petition of Stacy B. Opdycke, for relief.

Mr. Speaker laid before the House a report from Joseph Duncan, president of the Illinois Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

Mr. McClernand, from the committee on Finance, to which was referred sundry petitions, resolutions, &c., reported the same back to the House, and was discharged from their further consideration.

Mr. McClernand, also presented the remonstrance of three hundred and fifty-eight citizens of Jefferson county, against the repeal of the valuation law; which, without reading, was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Hanson,

He had leave to withdraw petitions and remonstrances in relation to the division of Coles county.

Mr. Pickering, from the committee on Internal Improvements, reported the following resolutions:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring herein,

That our Senators and Representatives in the Congress of the United States be requested to introduce a bill for an act of Congress appropriating the alternate sections of lands, for six miles wide, on both sides of the Alton and Mount Carmel, and the Alton and Shawneetown railroads, to be used expressly in aid of the completion of said roads, and when the said alternate sections or any of them have been sold, the Governor of the State be authorized to make selections of other lands, in lieu thereof.

Resolved, That the Governor of this State forward copies of these resolutions to the Governors of Missouri, Indiana, and Kentucky, praying the co-operation of the Legislatures of said States in support of the object of this resolution.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate thereof, and ask their concurrence therein.

In obedience to a resolution passed on Saturday afternoon, requiring the Doorkeeper, as Sergeant-at-Arms, to arrest John D. Whiteside, Esq., Fund Commissioner, and bring him before the bar of the House, and show cause, if any he had, why he had not answered a preamble and resolution adopted in the forenoon on said Saturday, the said John D. Whiteside, without service of process or arrest, appeared in proper person at the bar of the House, and made satisfactory answer why he had failed to reply to the said preamble and resolutions, at an earlier hour; whereupon,

On motion of Mr. McClerland,

The said John D. Whiteside, Esq., was discharged, and held not guilty of any contempt of the House.

Mr. Moore, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, announced that the Senate had concurred in the resolutions in relation to the Alton and Mount Carmel, and Alton and Shawneetown railroads.

On motion of Mr. Ficklin,

Ordered, That the Clerk inform the Senate that the House of Representatives are now ready to adjourn *sine die*.

When after a very feeling and appropriate valedictory from Mr. Speaker Hackelton, he pronounced the House of Representatives of the State of Illinois, adjourned *sine die*.

WM. L. D. EWING,
Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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